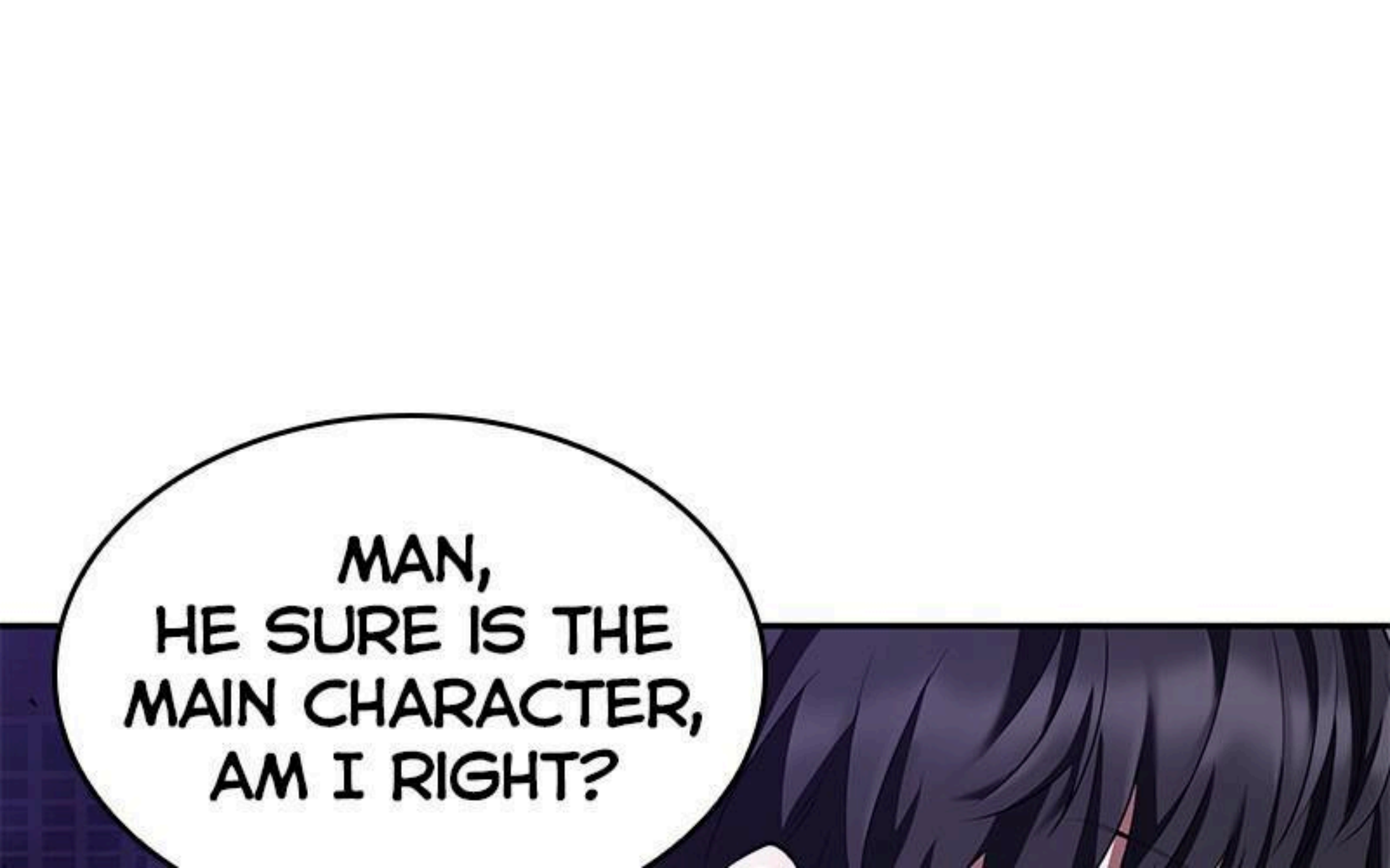
JUNGHYEOK...?
WHY IS HE...
DON'T TELL ME HE
CAME TO BEAT
ME UP.

DIDN'T HE SAY IT WOULD TAKE HIM TWO DAYS TO RECOVER?

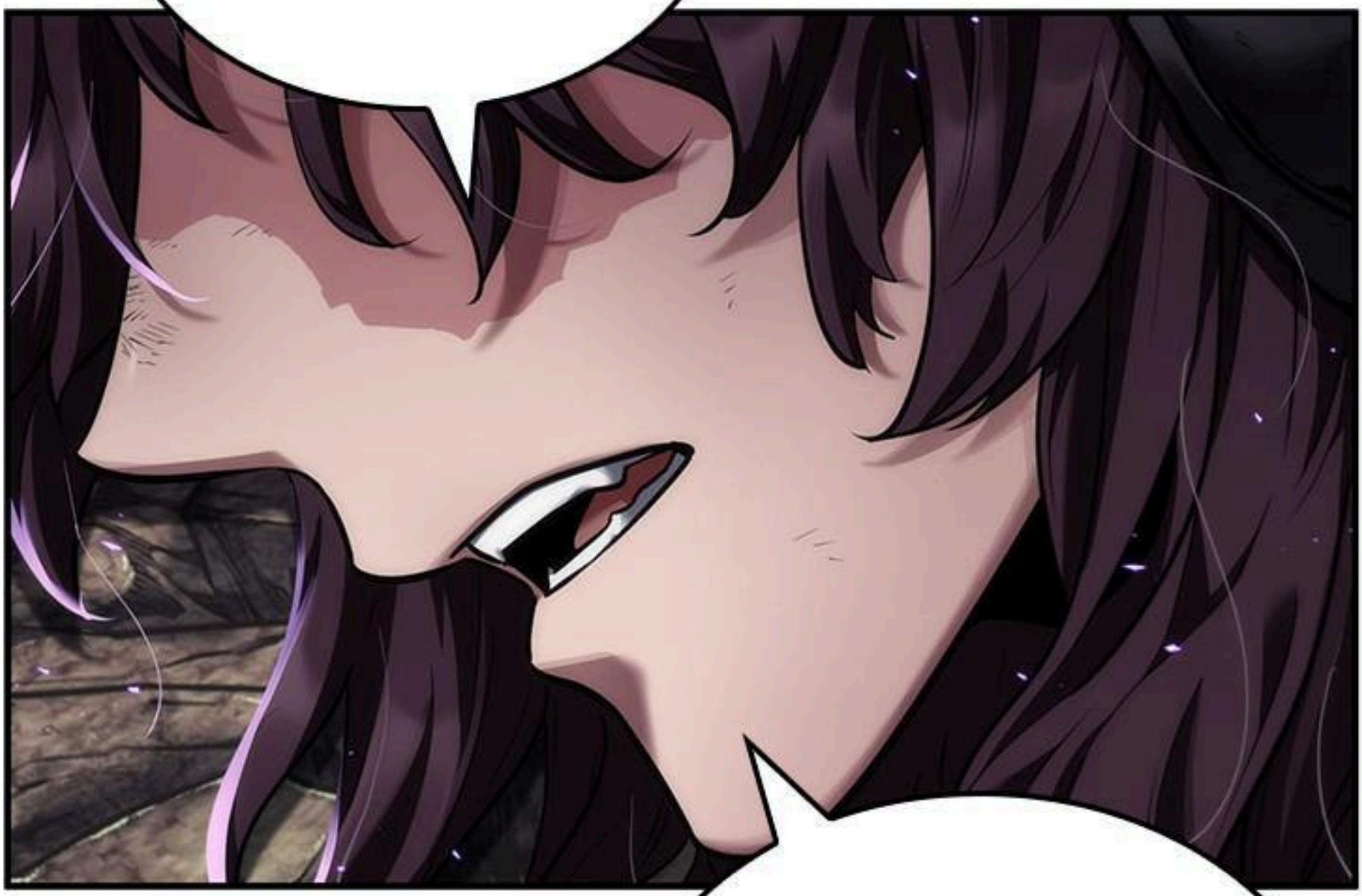
GET STARTED.

I'LL
STOP HIM.


MAN,
HE SURE IS THE
MAIN CHARACTER,
AM I RIGHT?

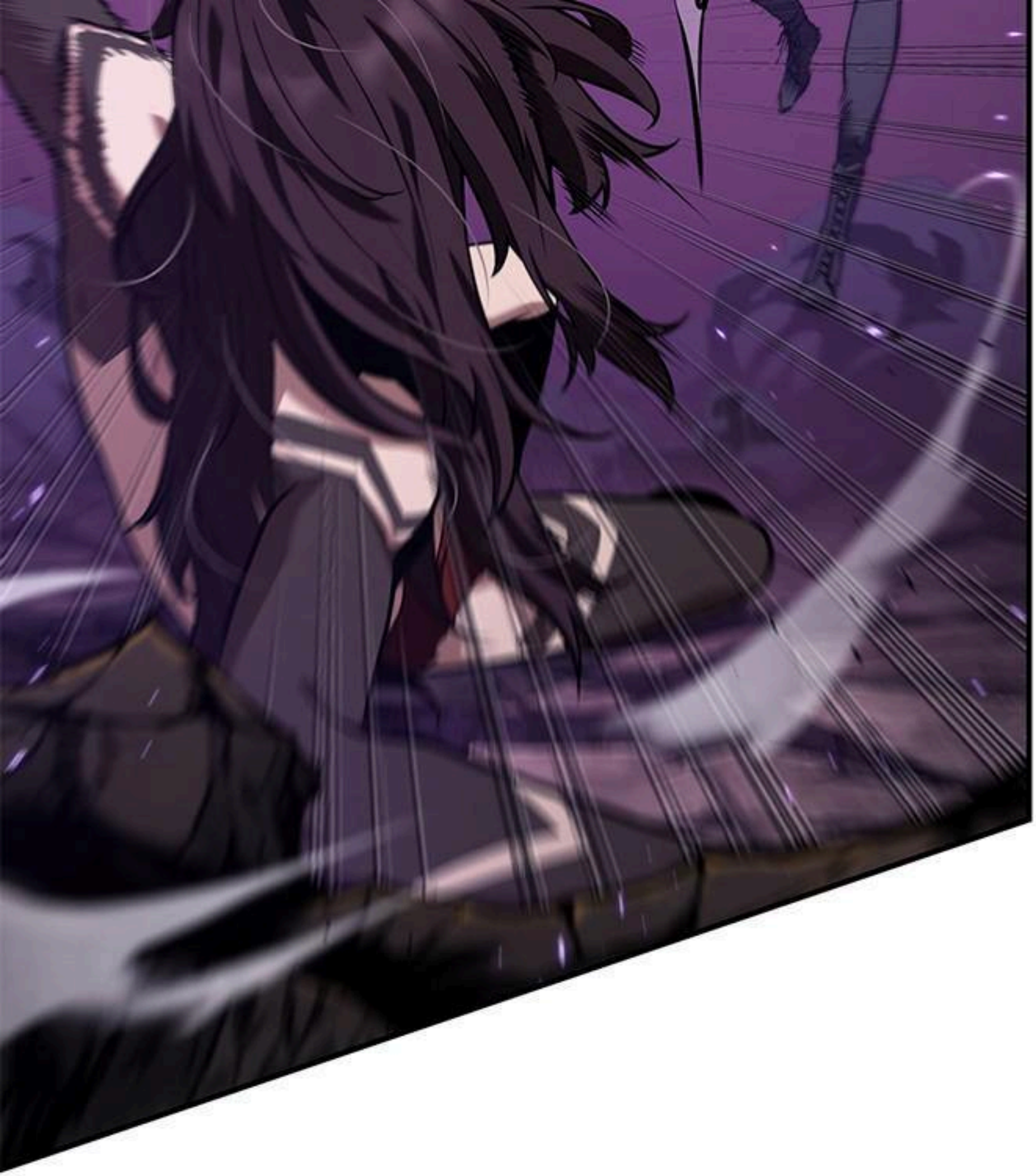
GLANCE

THIS IS GETTING A BIT ANNOYING.



YOU'RE REALLY MAKING ME LOOK LIKE A VILLAIN NOW.

WHOOSH



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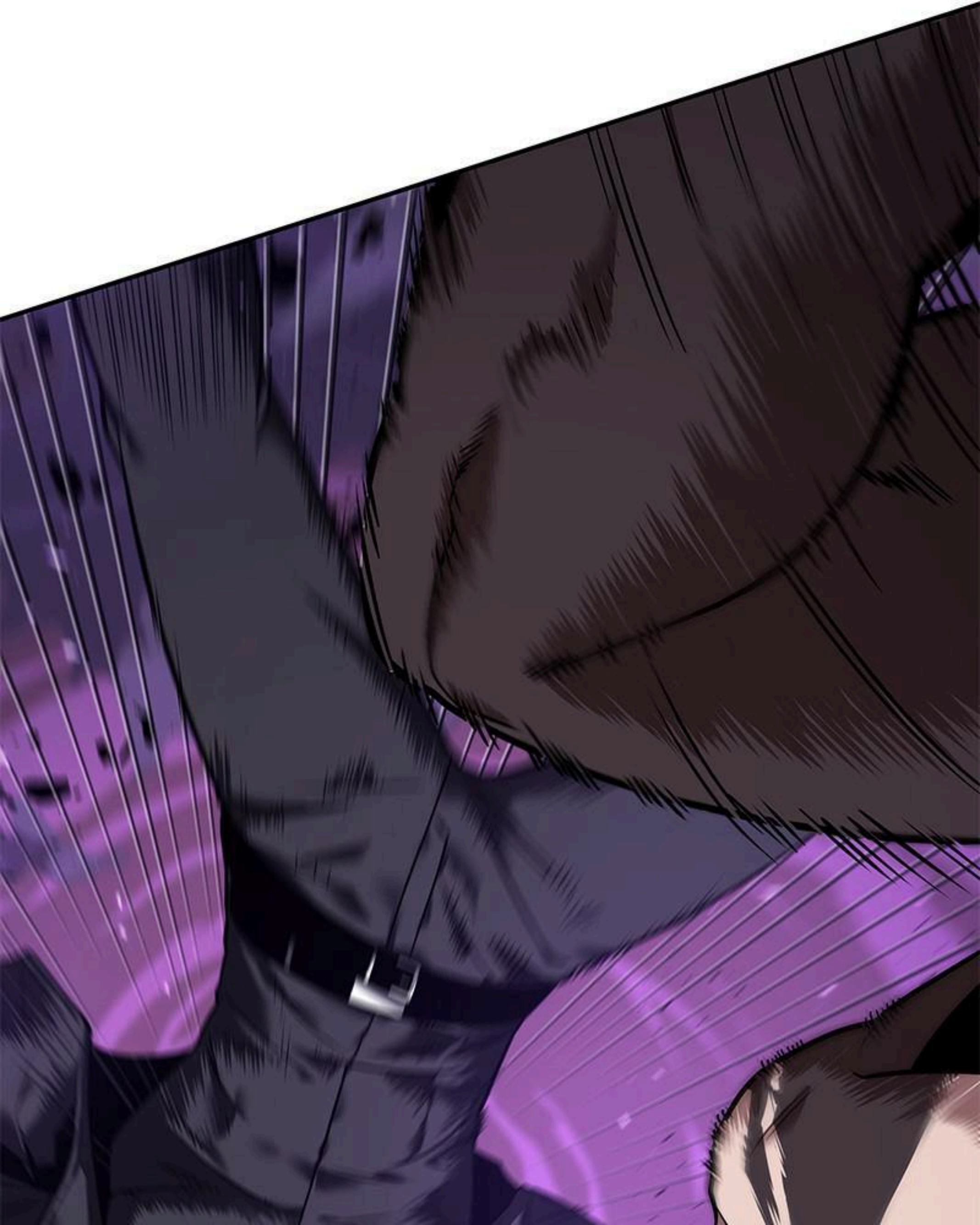

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IT SEEMS
I HAVEN'T FULLY

RECOVERED YET.

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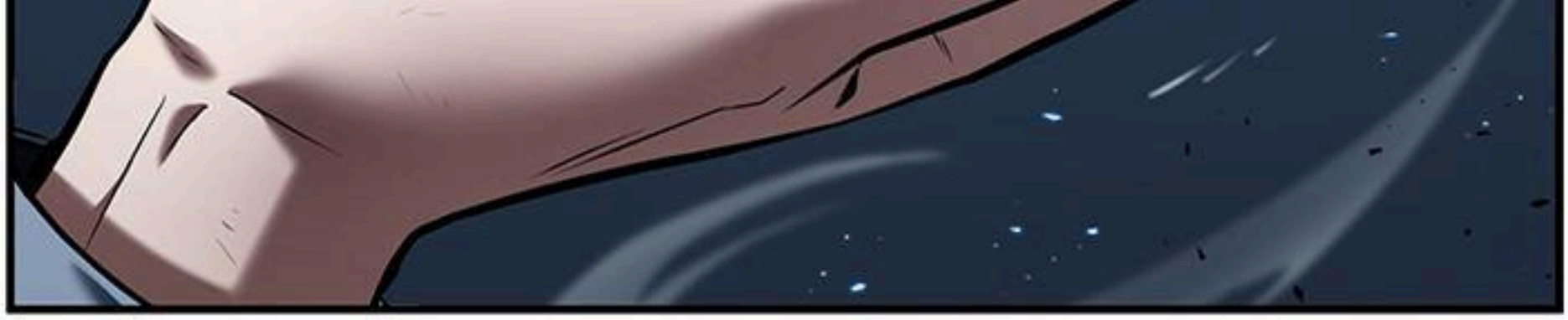
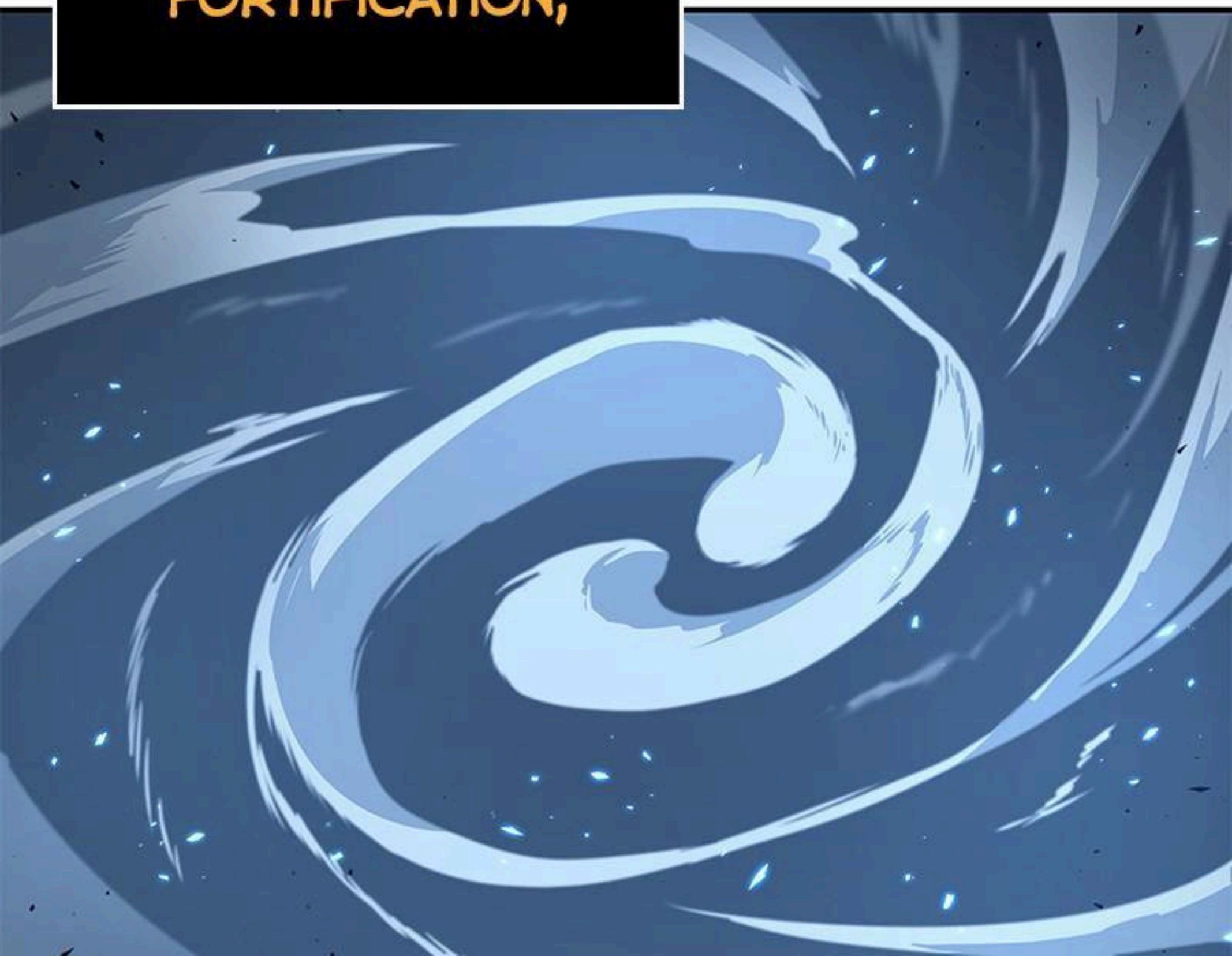
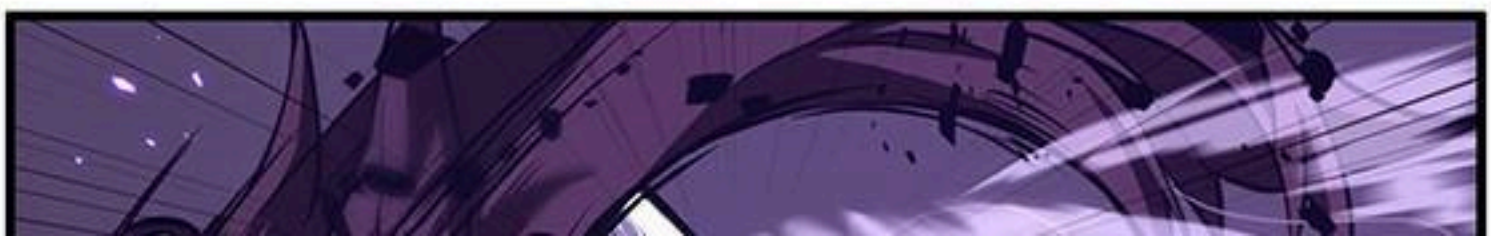
HURRY, DOKJA!

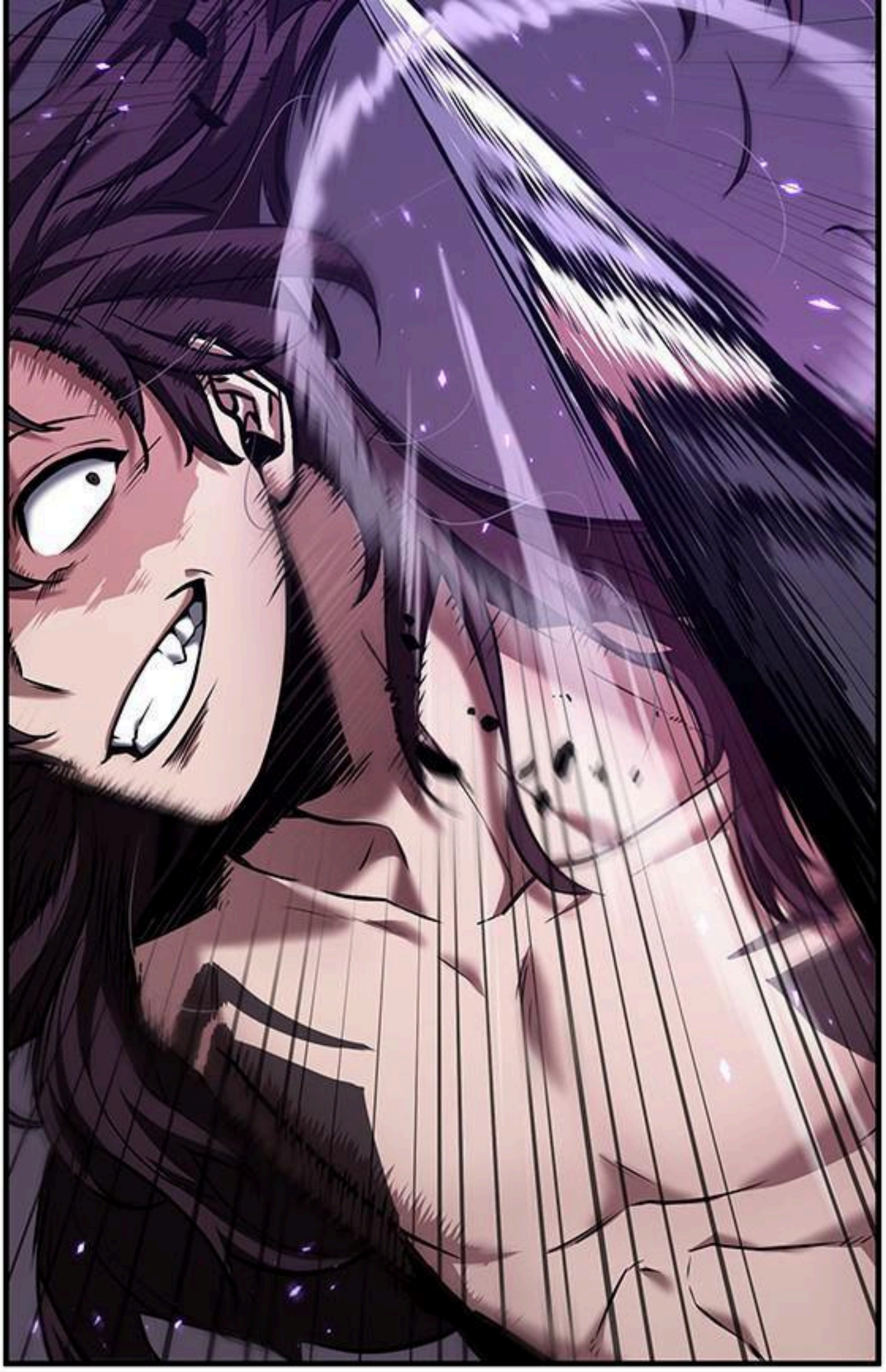


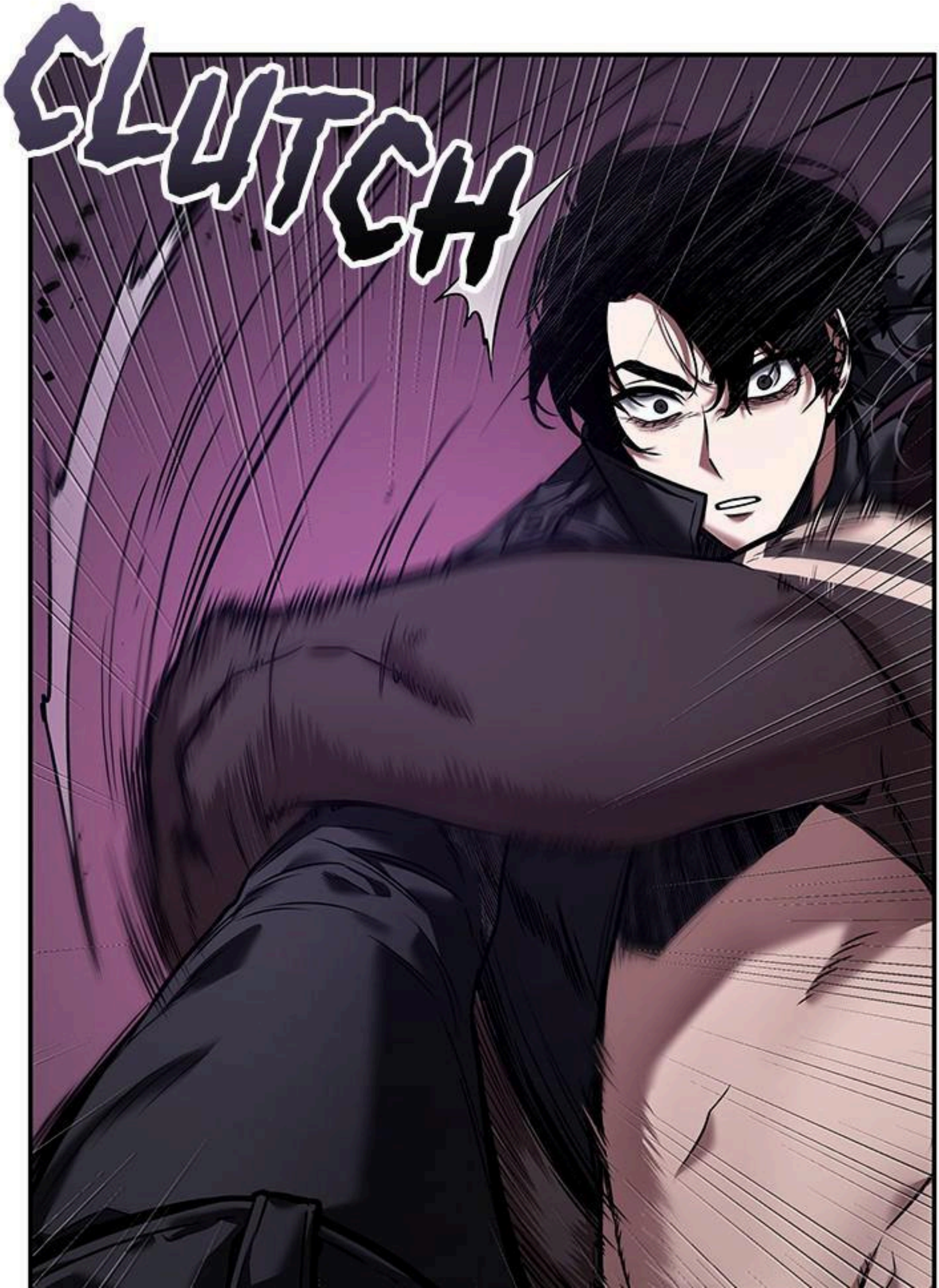
"THE FOUR WINDS MEET TO FORM A FORTIFICATION,



AND THE FOUR WINDS MEET AGAIN IN THE SHAPE OF A TRIGRAM."



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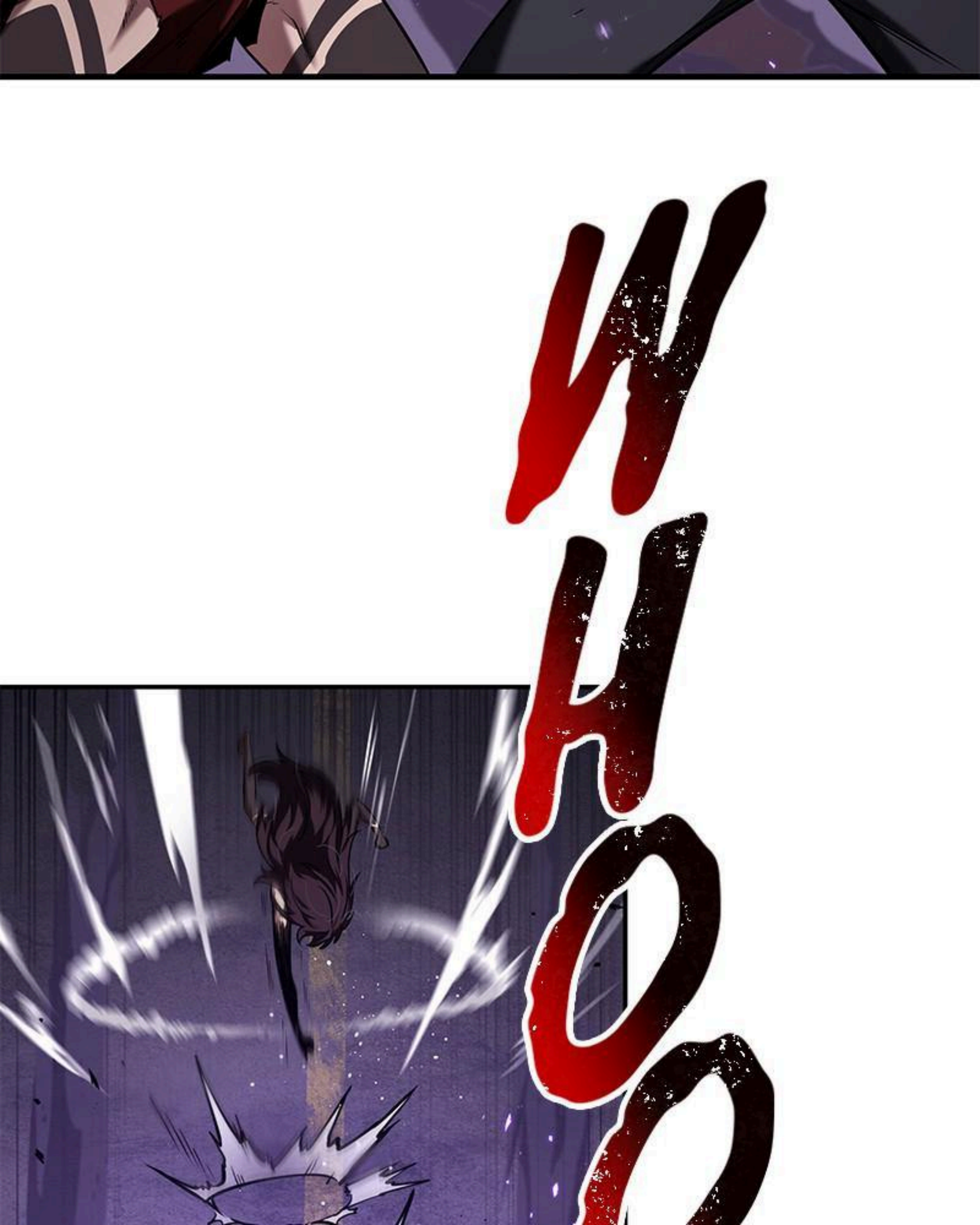
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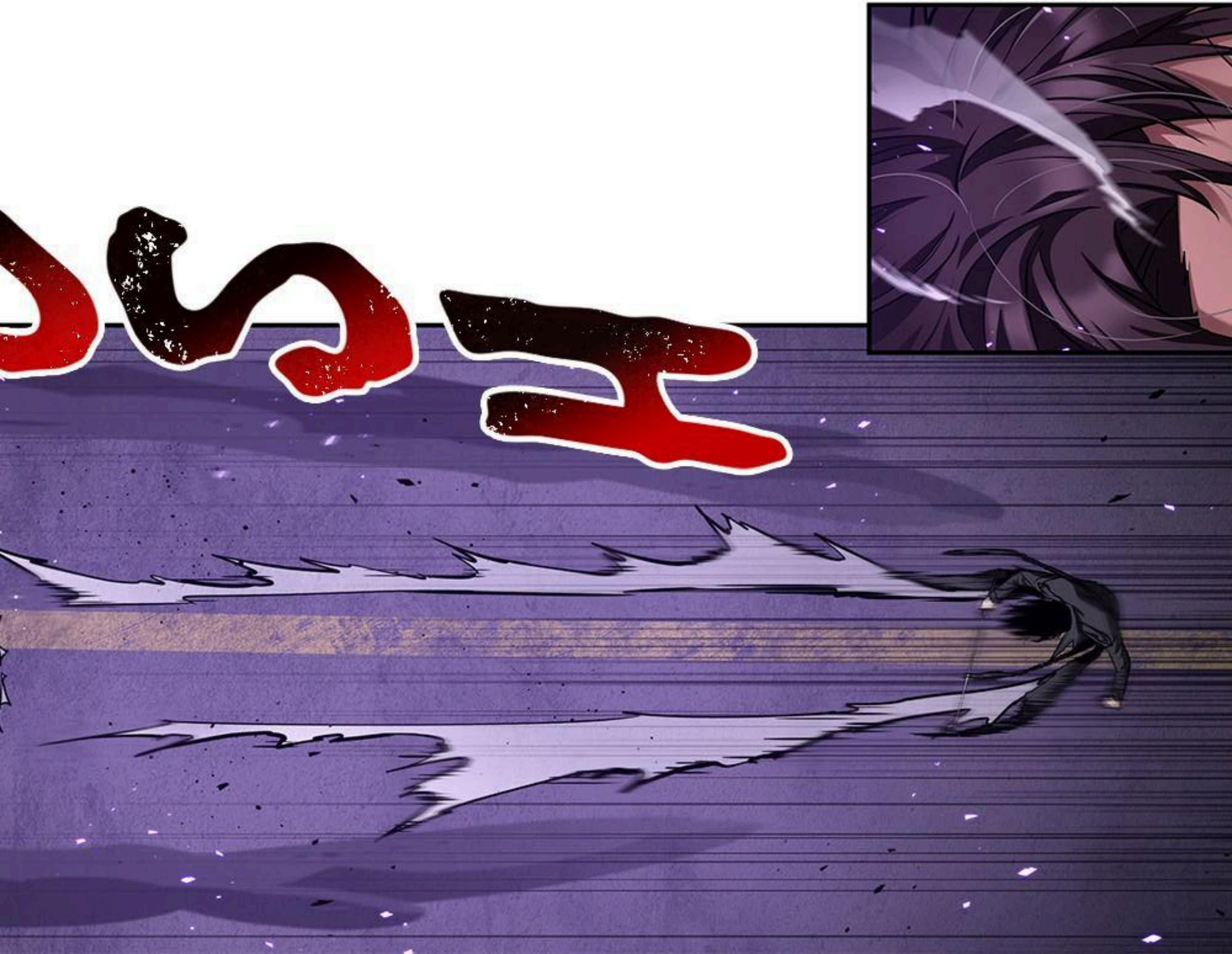

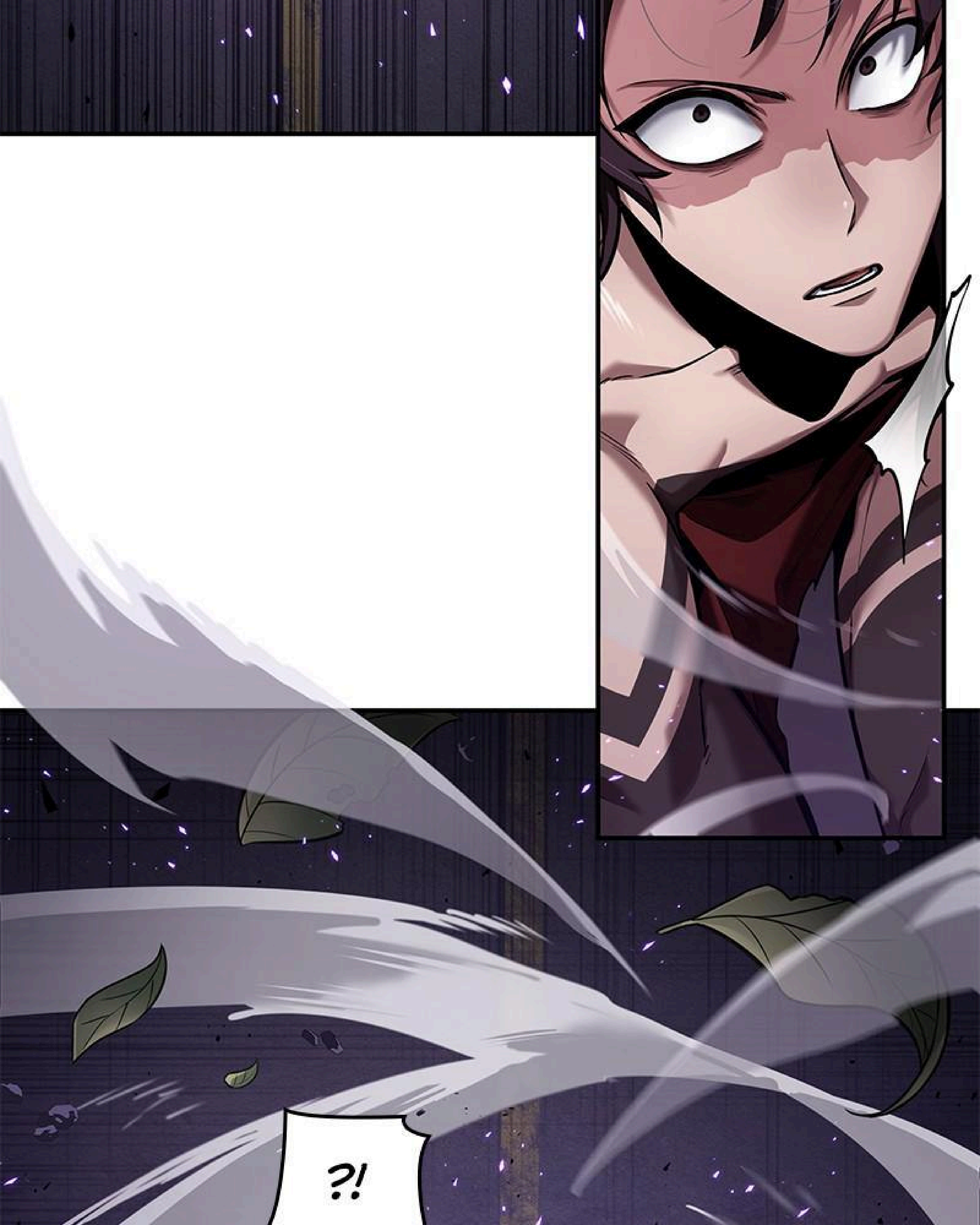

WHAT'S THIS? WHAT ARE YOU...

"THEREFORE,

THE WIND IS EVERYWHERE
AND NOWHERE."

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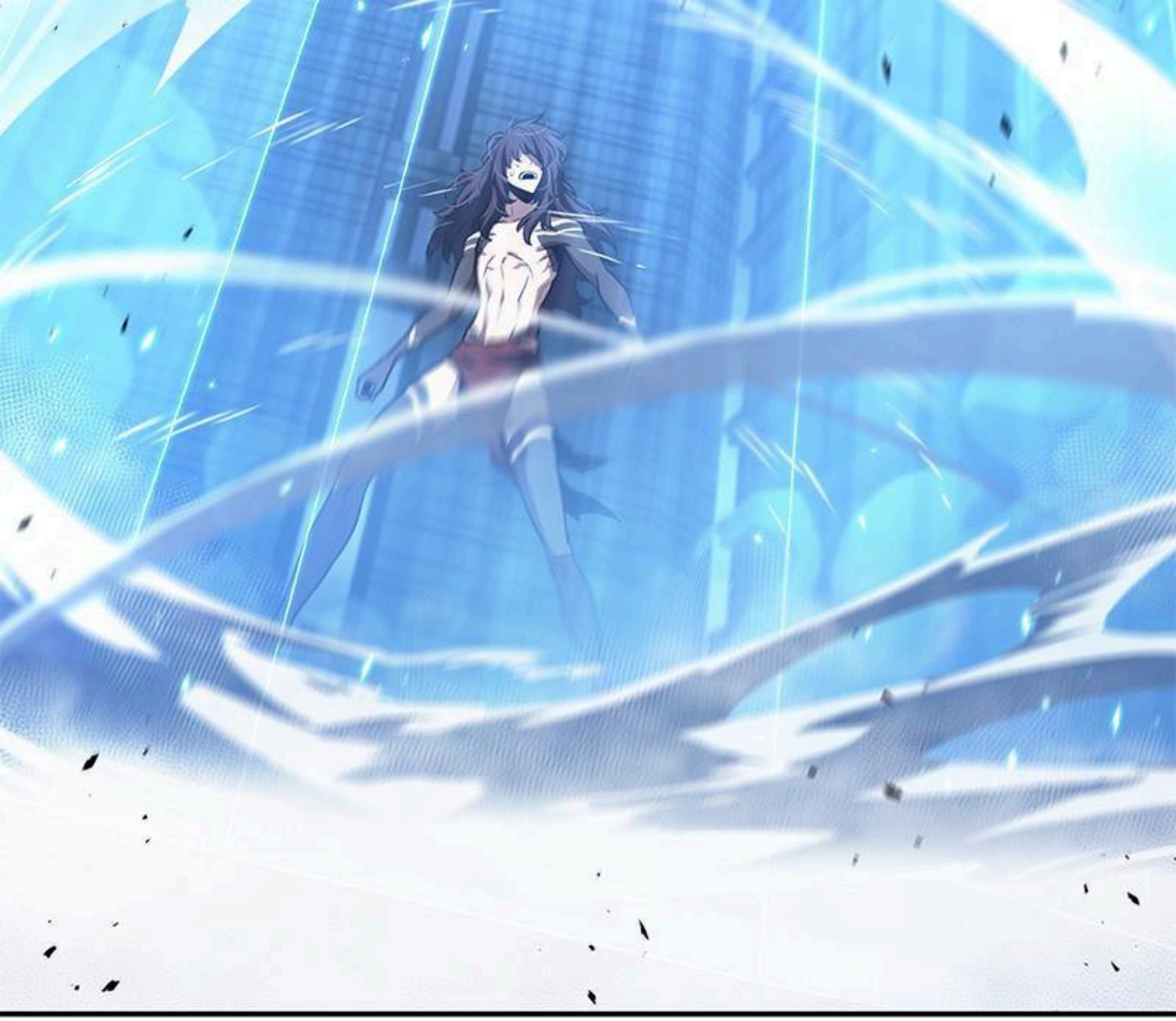

VACUUM PRISON

THIS IS WHY I WANTED TO LEARN [THE WAY OF THE WIND].

THIS IS THE BEST WAY TO BEAT *THE*

CATASTROPHE OF QUESTIONS.

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...!!!

...?!

[LEVEL 2 OF *OMNISCIENT READER'S VIEWPOINT* ACTIVATED!]

"WHAT'S THIS?"

"WHY CAN'T I SPEAK? IS THIS SOME KIND OF MAGIC?"

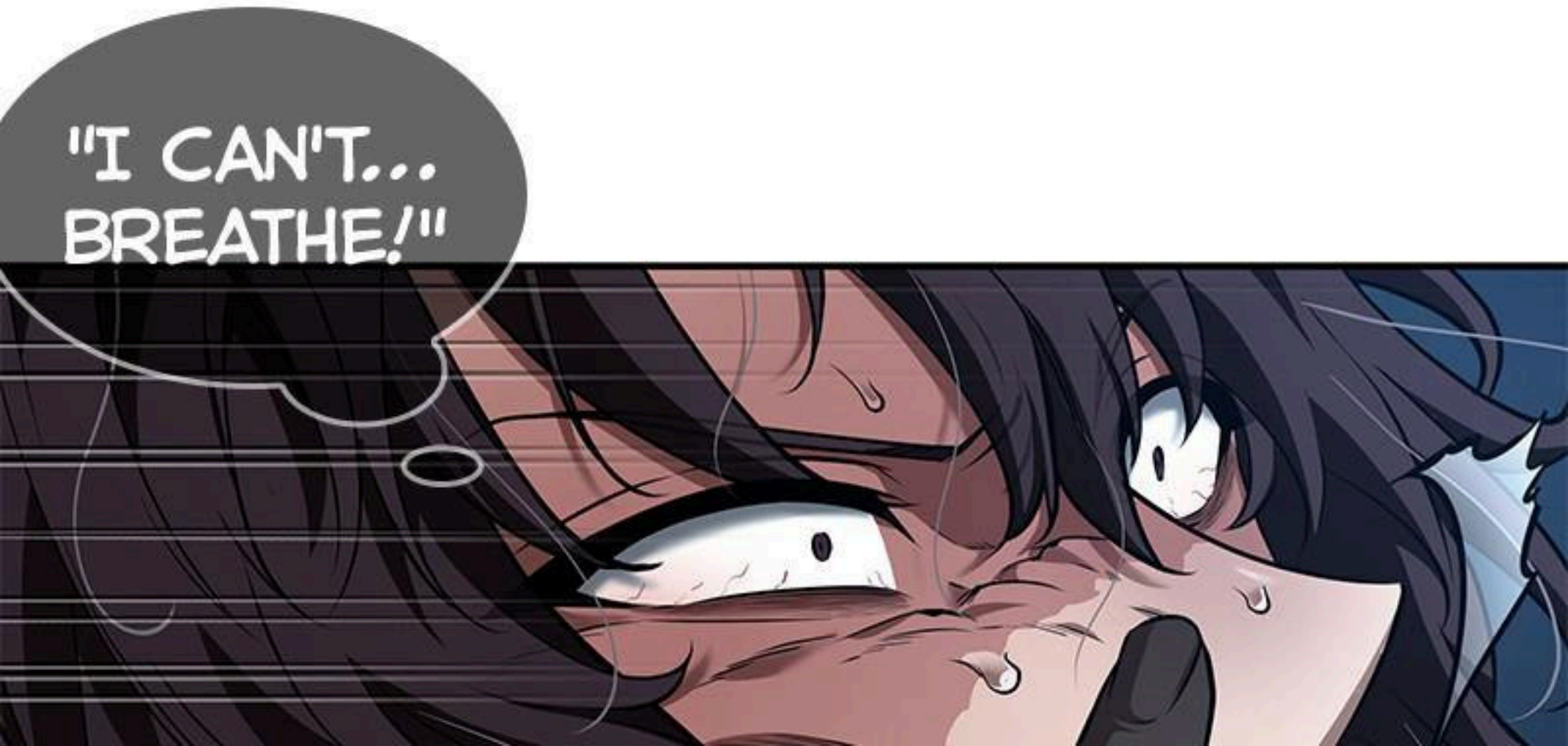
MUMBLE

...!!!

A PENALTY IS IN EFFECT

FOR *THE CATASTROPHE OF QUESTIONS.*

THE POWER OF RETURNEE, *ILSANG MYEONG*,
HAS BEEN WEAKENED.



[THE TWENTY-FOURTH SEAL ON THE RETURNEE,
ILSANG MYEONG, HAS BEEN REGENERATED.]

"NOOOO!"

ACK!

THE *CATASTROPHE OF QUESTIONS* KEEPS ASKING *QUESTIONS*...

NOT ONLY BECAUSE THAT'S A WAY FOR HIM TO GET HIS POWER BACK...

...BUT
ALSO BECAUSE
HIS POWERS
ARE SEALED
AWAY...

IF HE DOES NOT
ASK ANY QUESTIONS
FOR A WHILE.

"DAMN IT!
LET ME GO!
RELEASE ME!"

[THE TWENTY-THIRD SEAL ON THE RETURNEE, *ILSANG MYEONG*, HAS BEEN REGENERATED.]

[THE TWENTY-SECOND SEAL ON THE RETURNEE, *ILSANG MYEONG*, HAS BEEN REGENERATED.]

ALTHOUGH THEY CAN BECOME POWERFUL VERY EASILY,

IT IS JUST AS EASY
TO WEAKEN THEM.

THE GAME
HAS TO BE FAIR,
AFTER ALL.

THOSE DOKKAEBI SURE HAVE GREAT SPORTSMANSHIP.

[THE TWENTY-FIRST SEAL ON THE RETURNEE, *ILSANG MYEONG*, HAS BEEN REGENERATED.]

"DAMN IT!"

"DAMN IT!"

I HAVE TO HOLD HIM UNTIL ALL SEALS ARE REGENERATED!

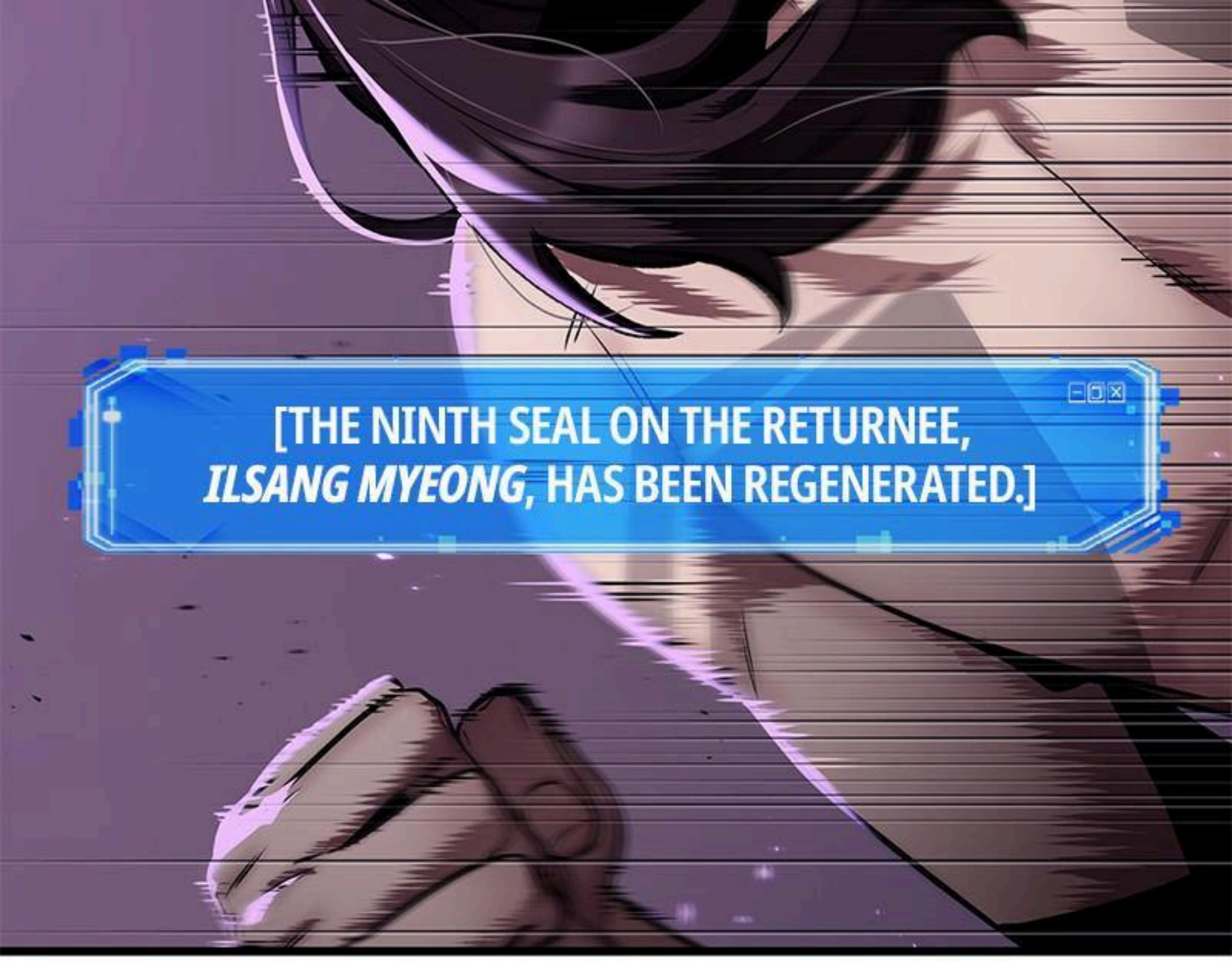
IF I CAN REDUCE THE SIZE OF THE *VACUUM PRISON* TO SURROUND JUST AROUND HIS BODY...

...I'D USE LESS MANA.

WHY IS THIS THING SO HARD TO CONTROL ANYWAY?

"AHHHH!"

"YOU BASTARDS!"


[THE NINTH SEAL ON THE RETURNEE,
ILSANG MYEONG, HAS BEEN REGENERATED.]

DON'T TRY TO CONTROL THE WIND WITH YOUR STRENGTH. YOU HAVE TO GUIDE IT GENTLY.

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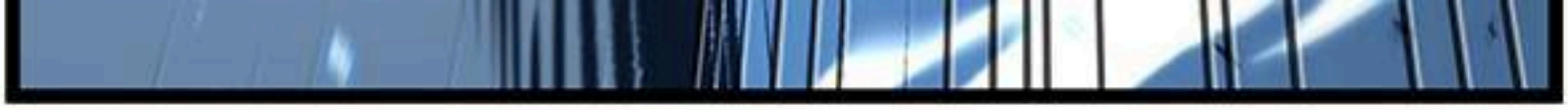
WOBBLE

DON'T THINK OF IT AS BUILDING A *WALL* AROUND HIM...

...BUT RATHER SIMPLY REMOVING THE MATTER SURROUNDING HIM.



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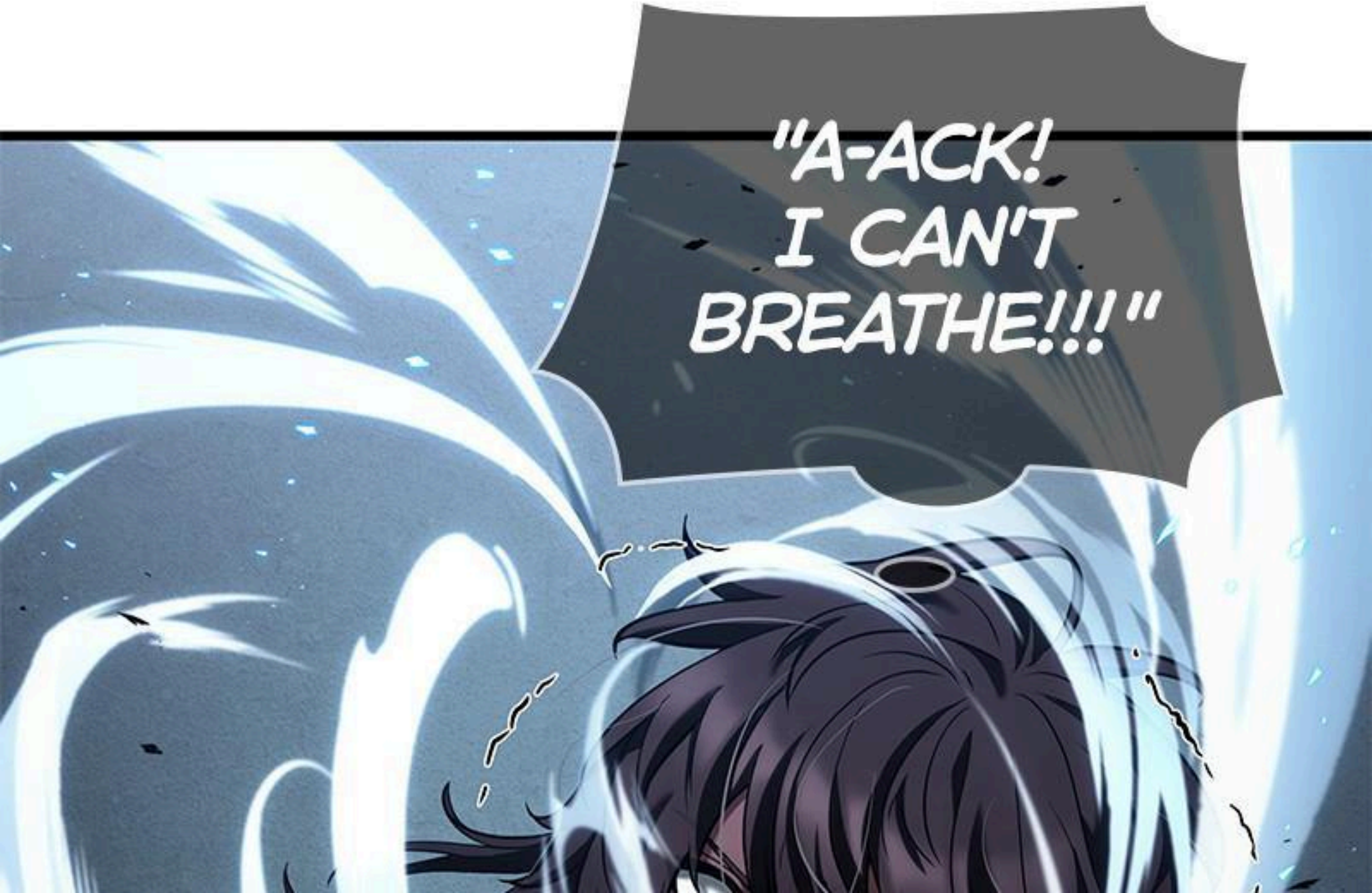
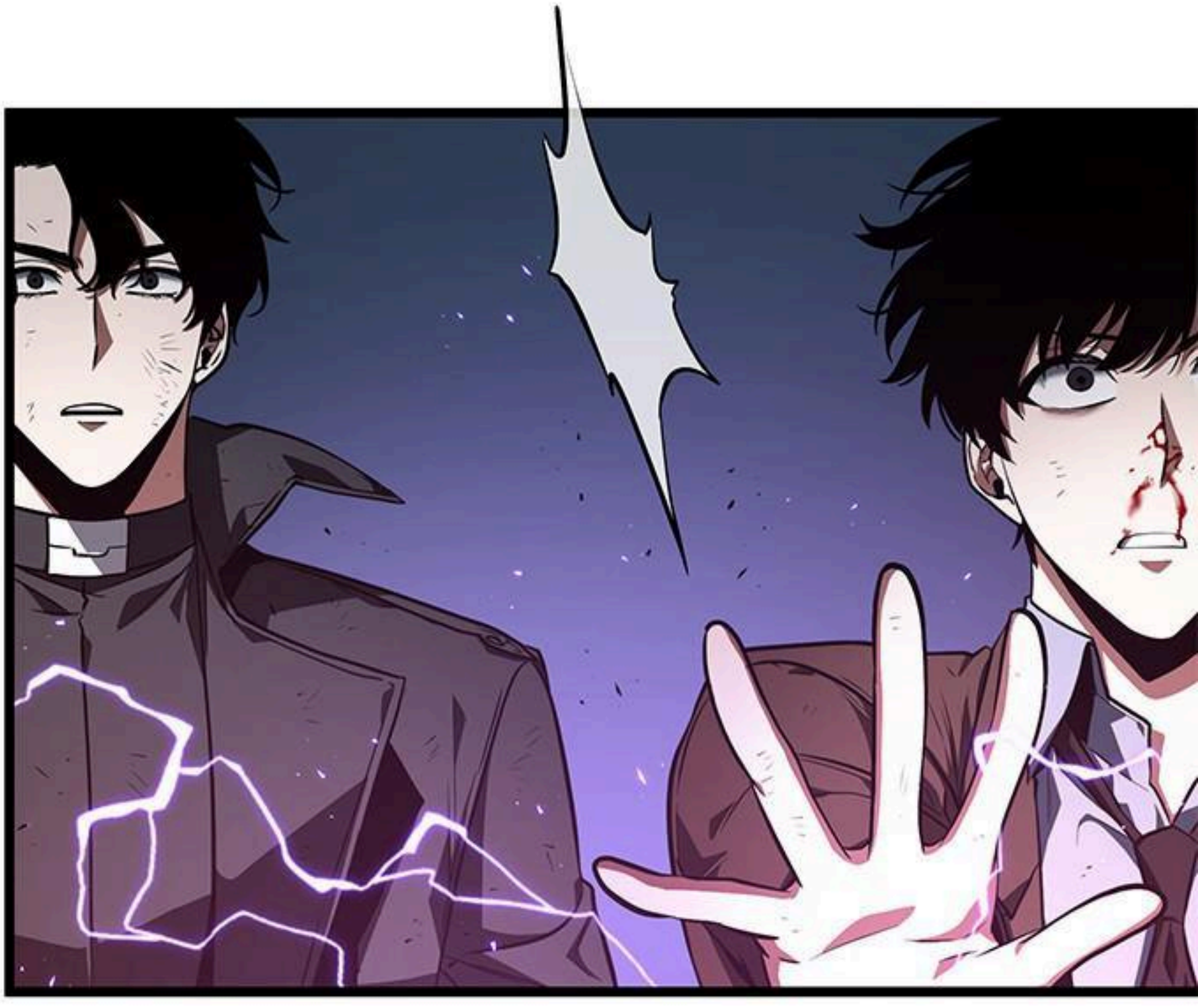

"A-ACK!
I CAN'T
BREATHE!!!"

IMPRESSIVE.

YOU DO HAVE A LITTLE TALENT IN YOU AFTER ALL.



THE CHARACTER, *ILSANG MYEONG*,
HAS USED *LARGE RED FIRE CANNON LV. 3*!

WAIT. THERE ARE PEOPLE THAT WAY!

W-WHAT IS THAT? A CATASTROPHE?!

DON'T DO ANYTHING

FOOLISH.

THEIR LIVES AREN'T WORTH SAVING.

YOU
MAY BE RIGHT
ABOUT SOME
OF THEM.

BUT NOT ALL OF THEM ARE LIKE THAT.

I CAN DO THIS. HE'S NOT THAT STRONG RIGHT NOW.

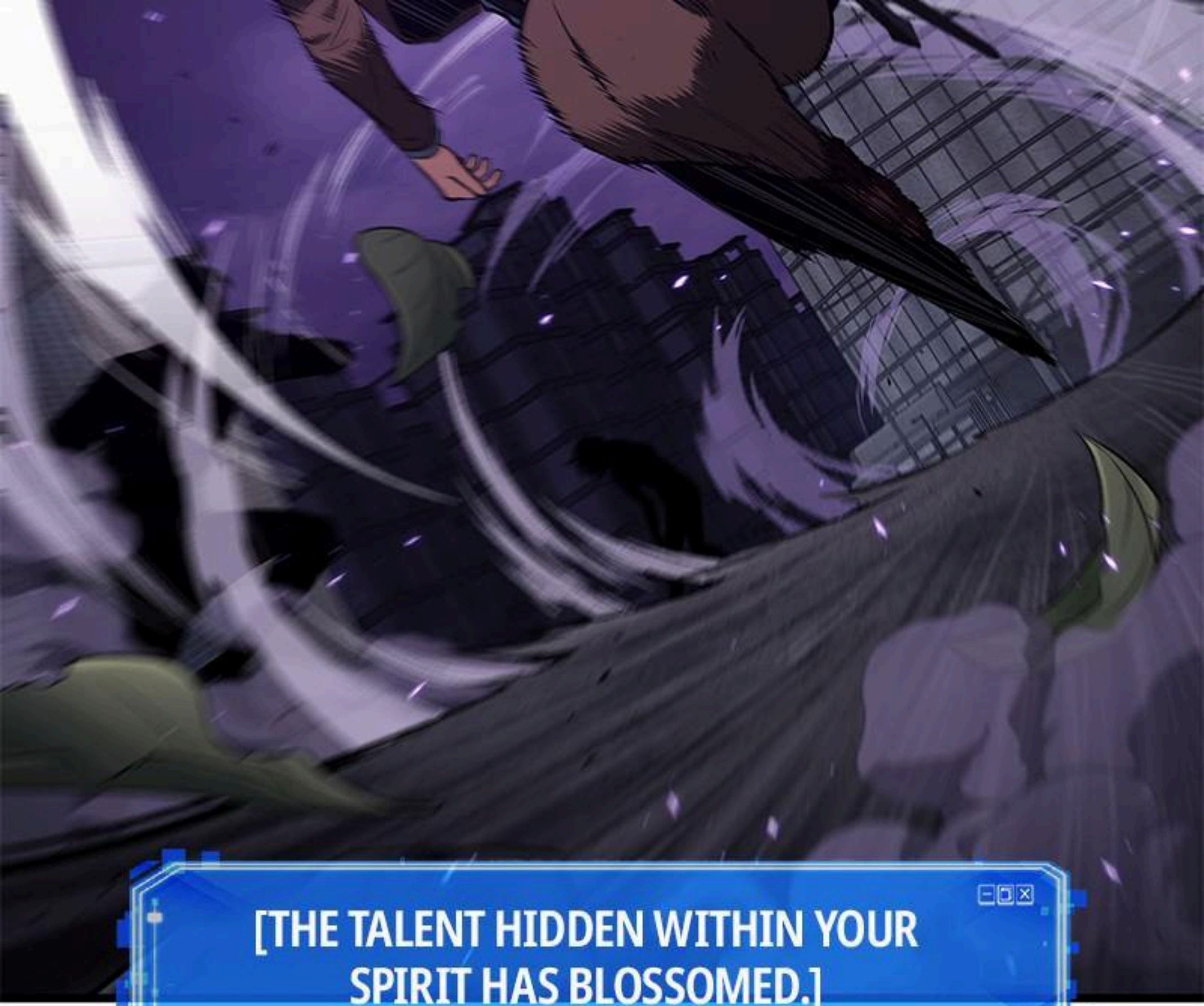
AND I FEEL
LIKE I CAN CONTROL
THE WIND EASIER

THE WIND EASIER NOW.

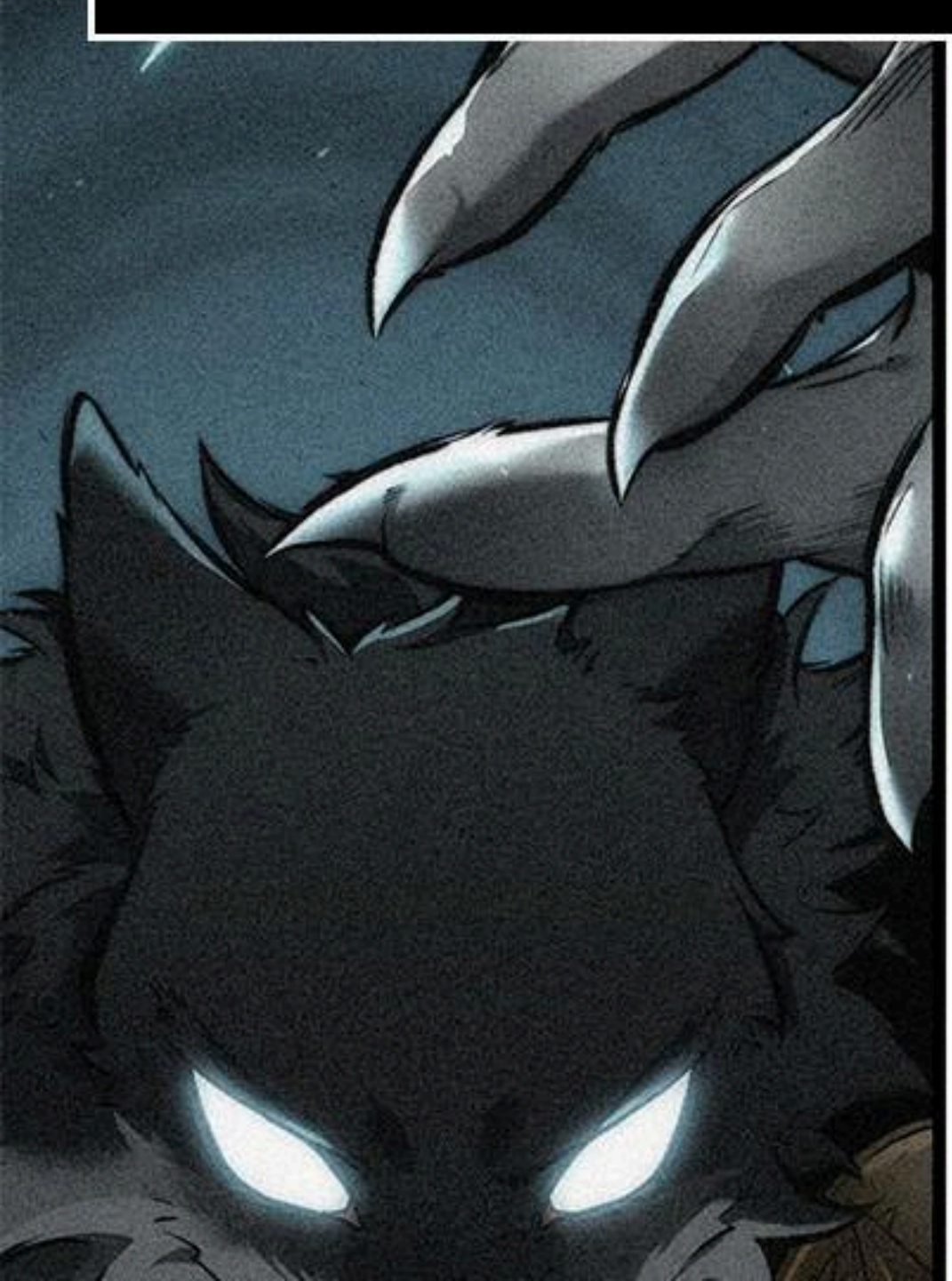
STEP

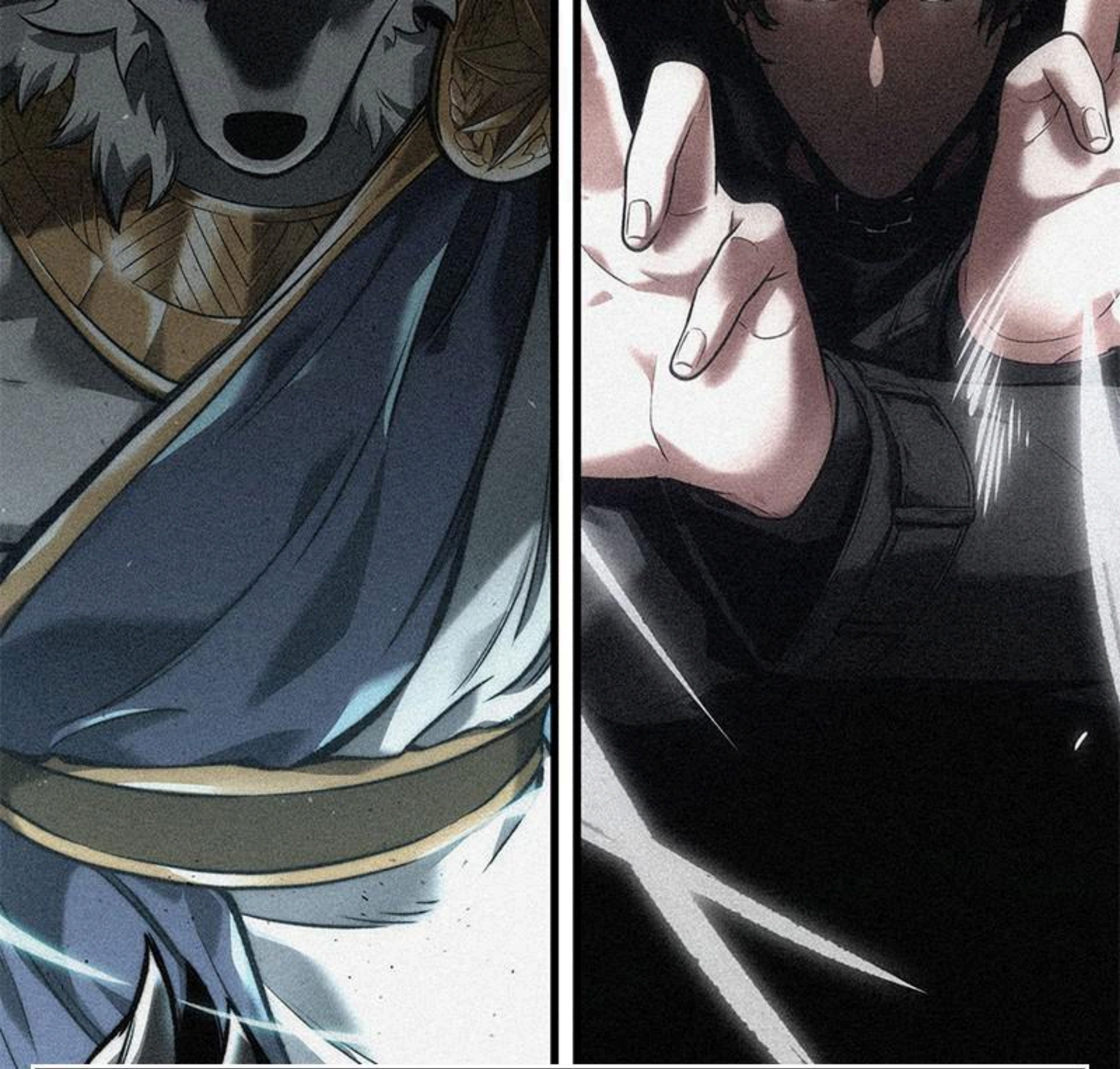
IT FEELS AS IF...

...I'VE
BECOME ONE
WITH THE WIND.


[THE TALENT HIDDEN WITHIN YOUR SPIRIT HAS BLOSSOMED.]

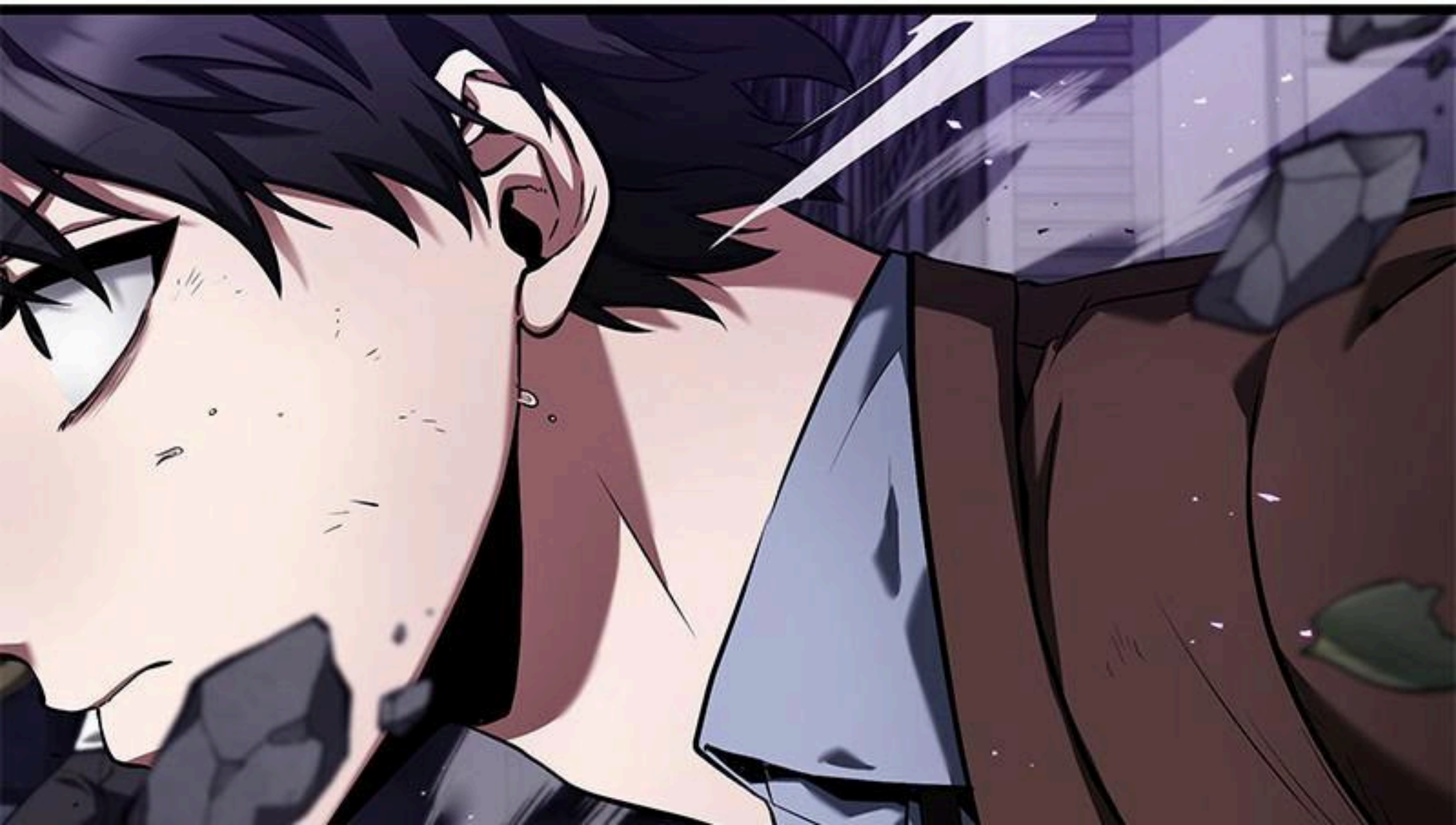
TEMPEST IN THE LEFT HAND...

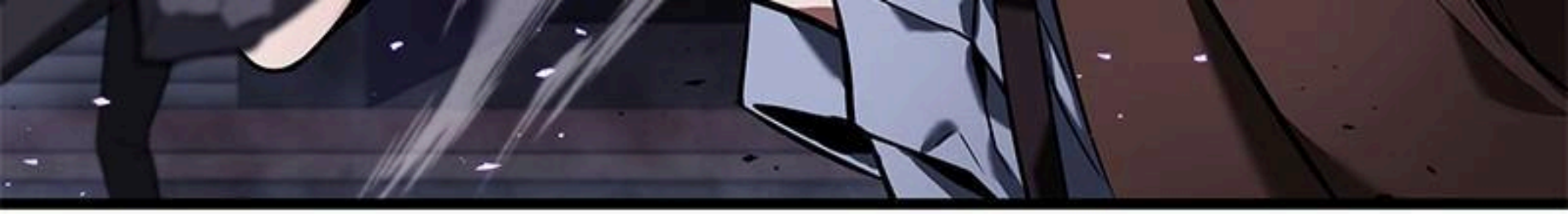




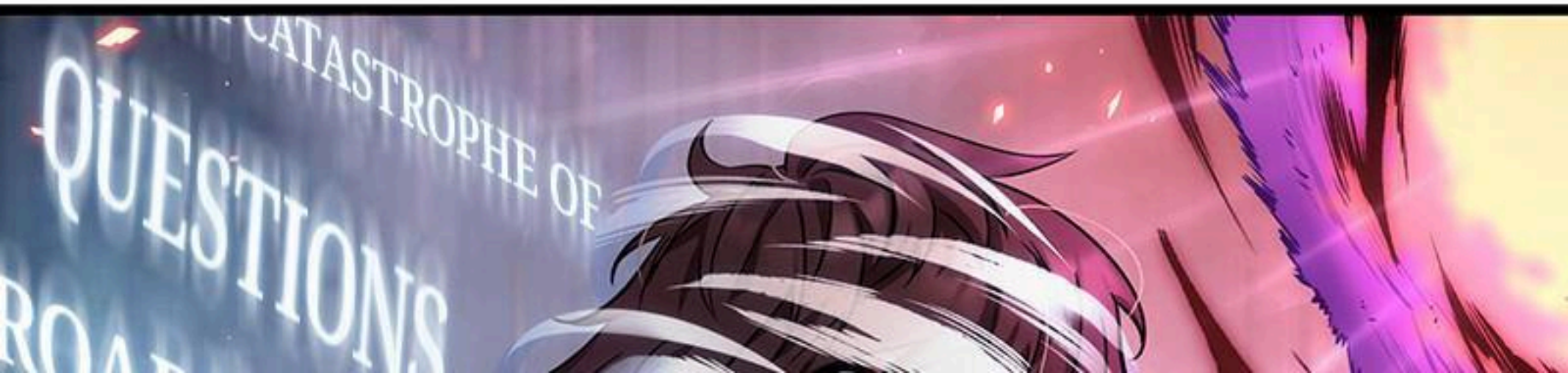
...AND STORM IN THE RIGHT.

OH.

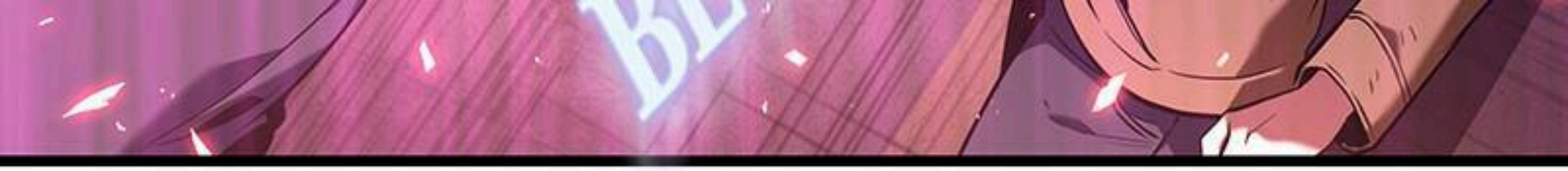




SO THIS IS WHAT
IT FEELS LIKE.



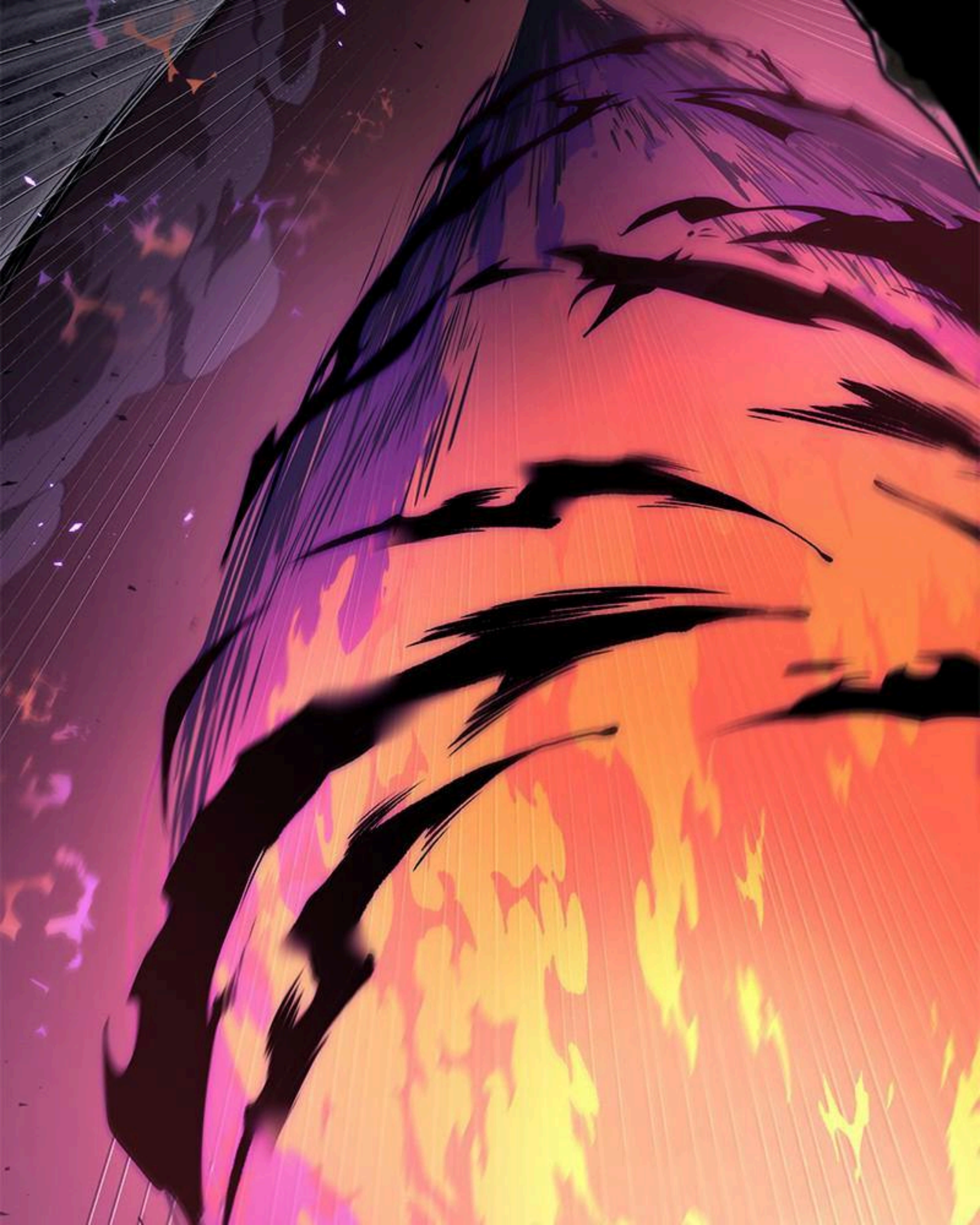
BEGGING FOR THEIR LIVES



THIS IS HOW
CHARACTERS
SEE THE WORLD.

[THE THICKNESS OF PERSONAL SKILL,
THE FOURTH WALL, HAS THINNED TEMPORARILY.]

"DIE, YOU BASTARDS! DIE!"



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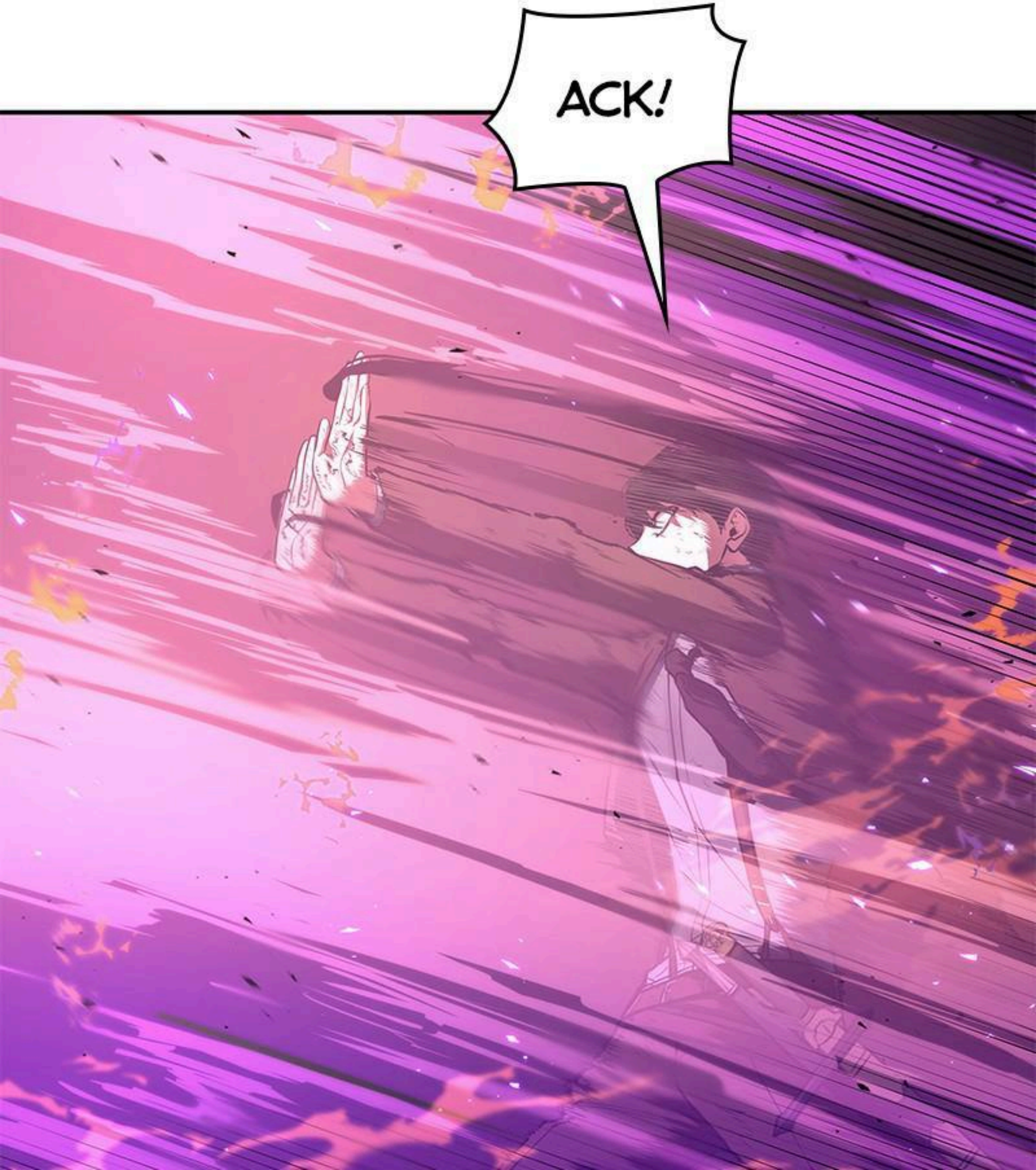
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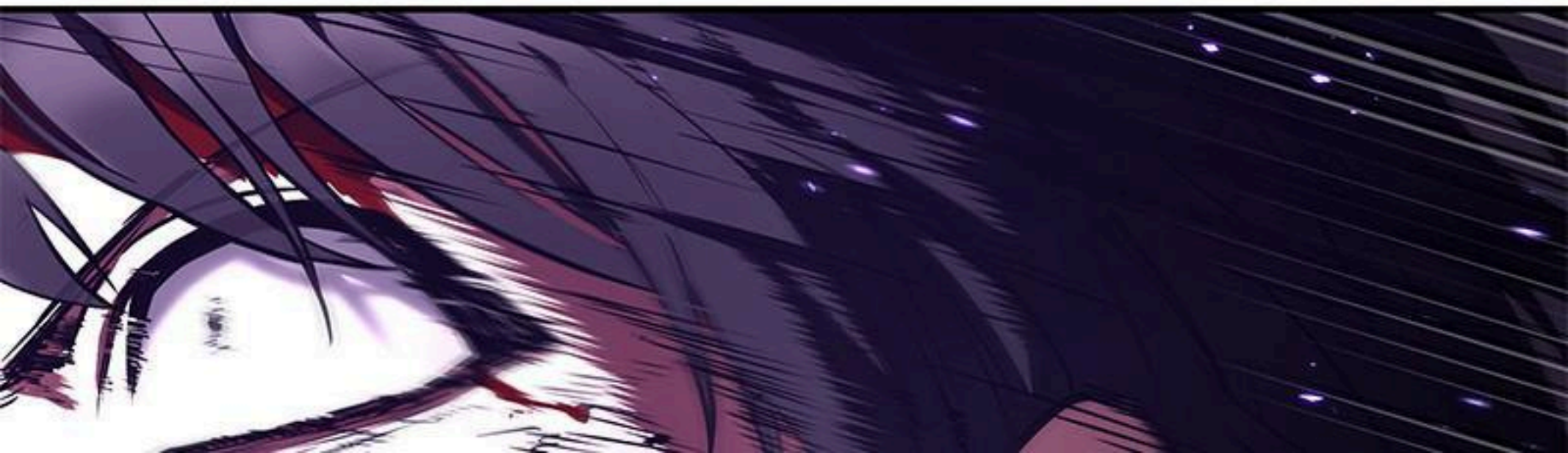

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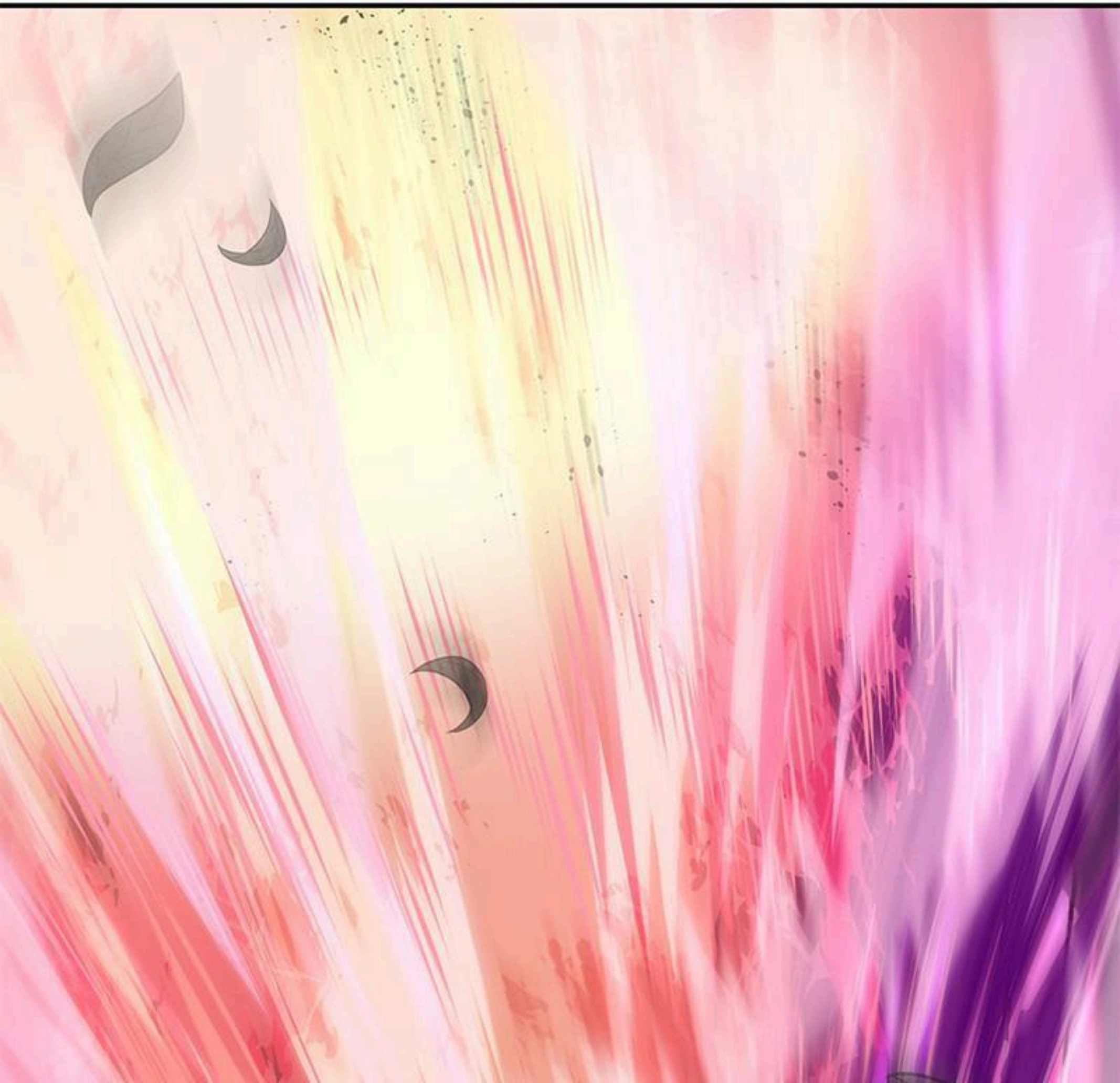

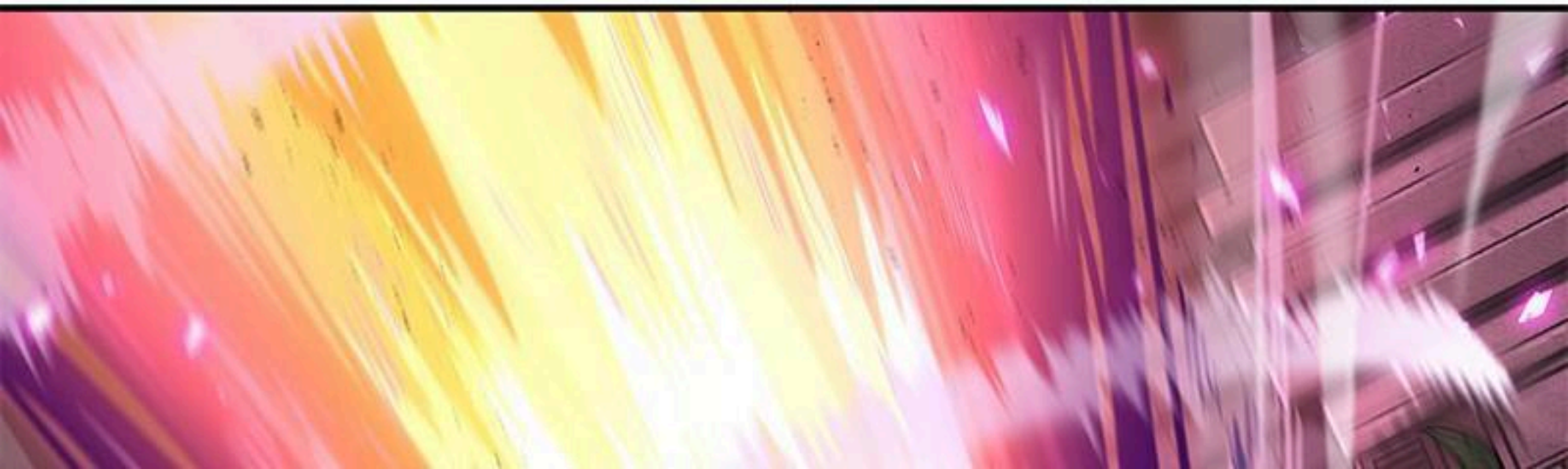

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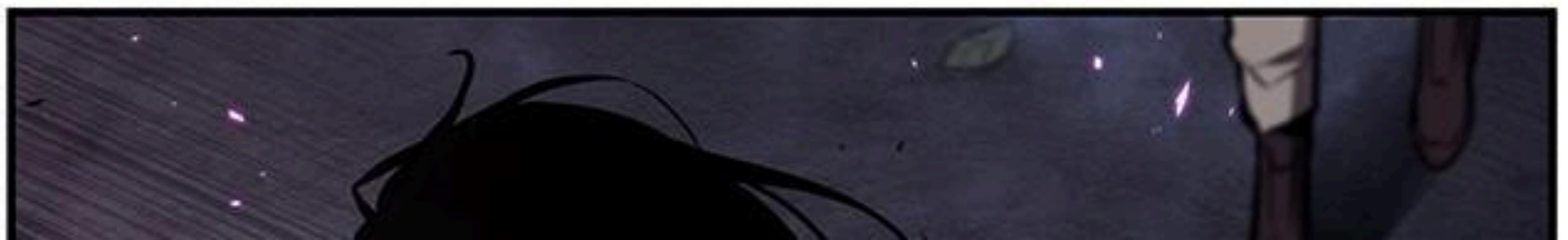
HELL...?



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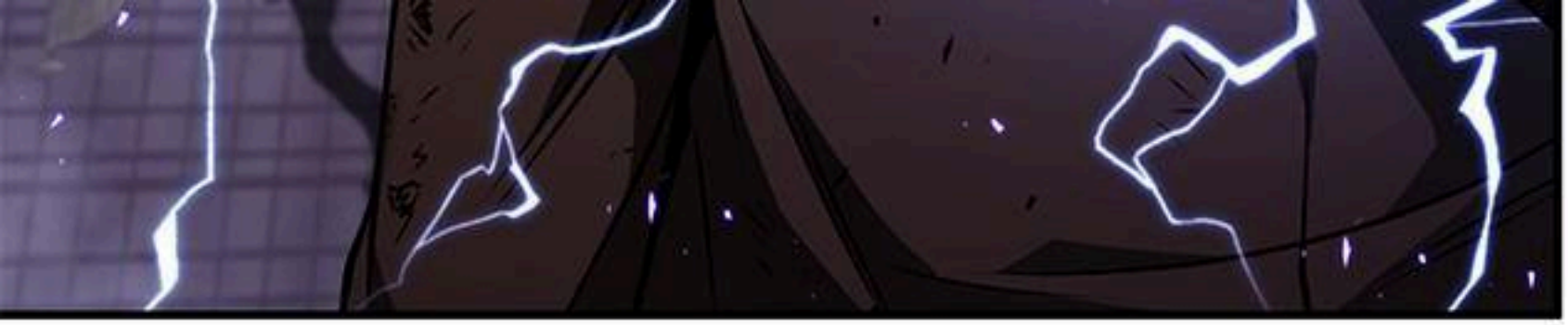
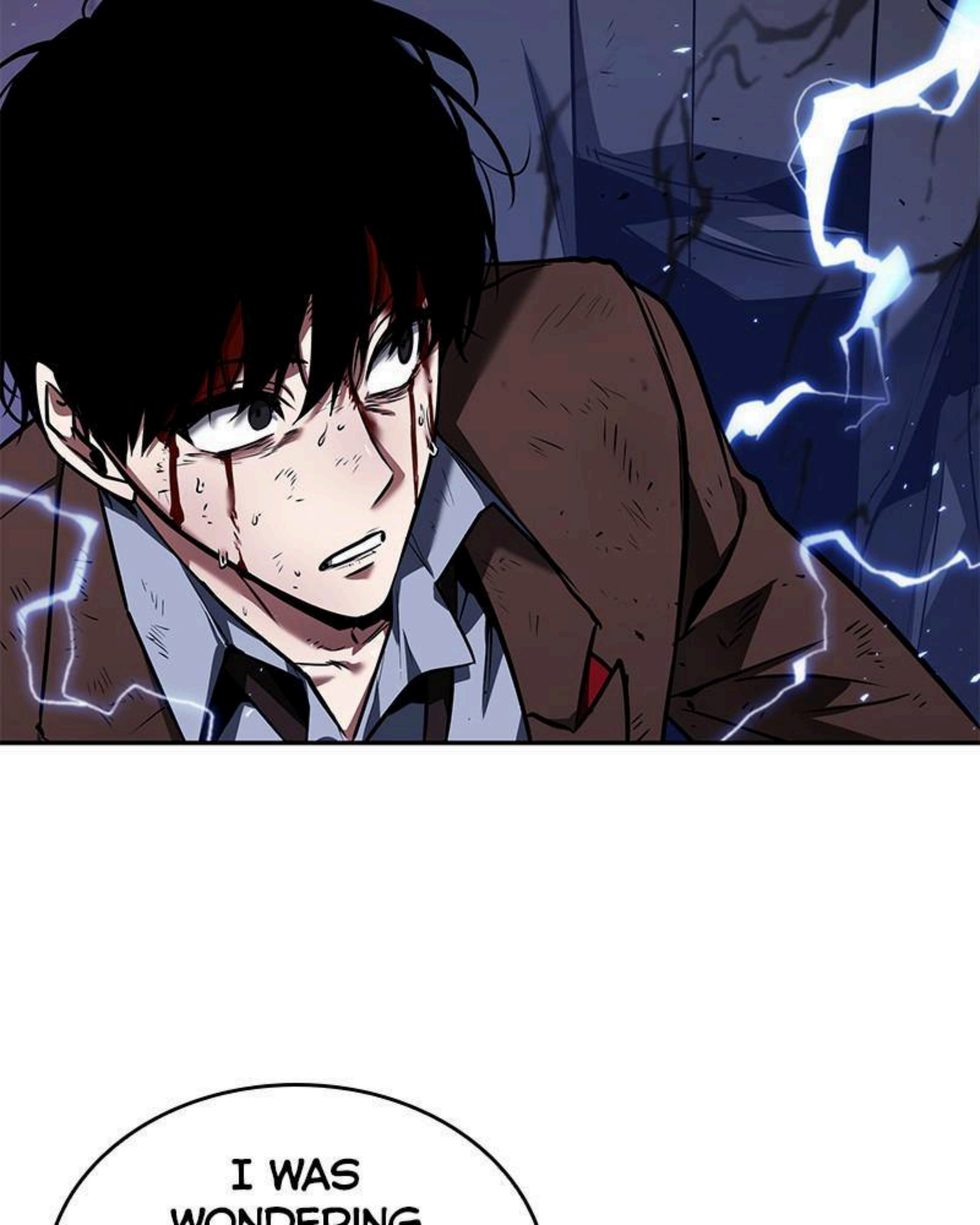


I'M GOING
TO BE THE ONE
TO KILL YOU.


I WAS
WONDERING

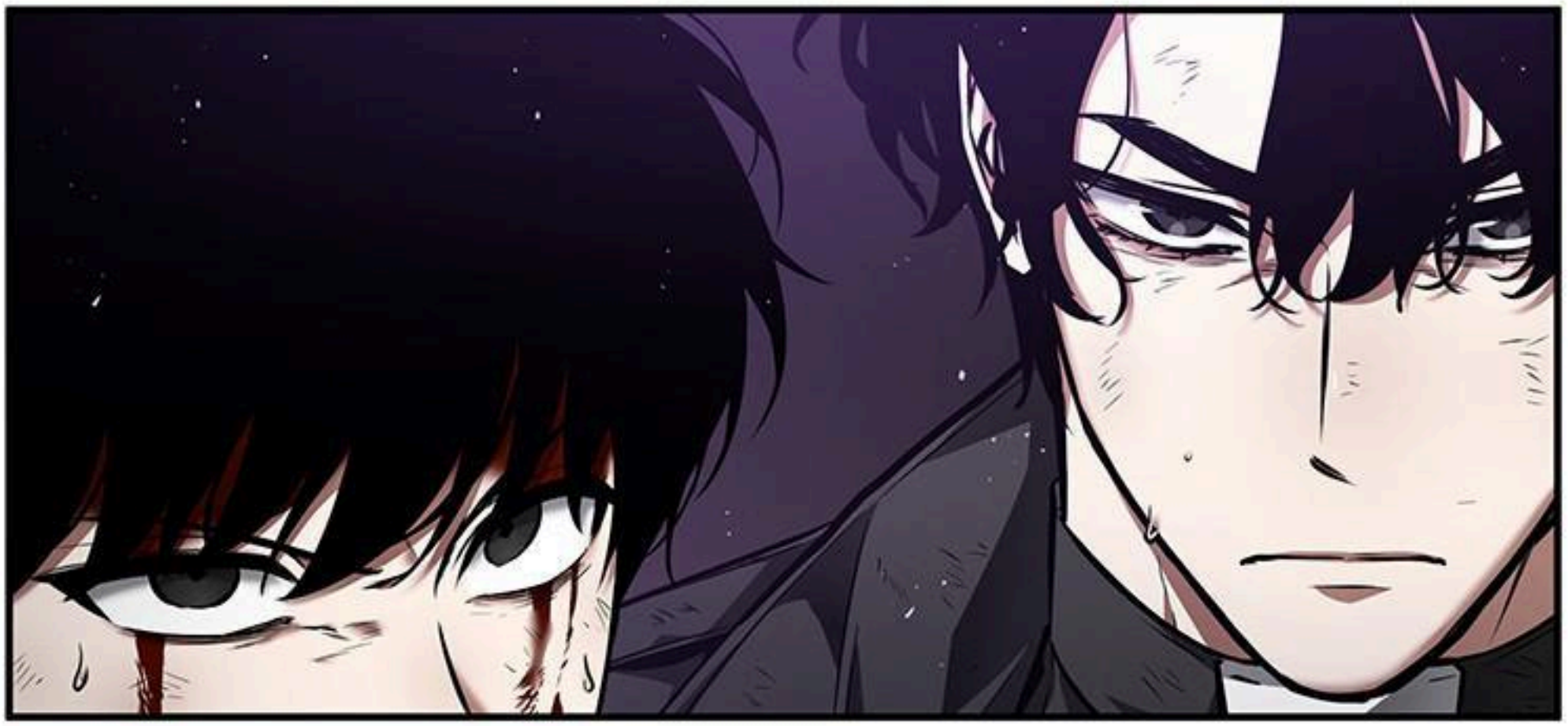
WONDERING WHY THAT DIDN'T DEPLETE MORE OF MY MANA...

WHEN DID HE GET HERE ANYWAY?

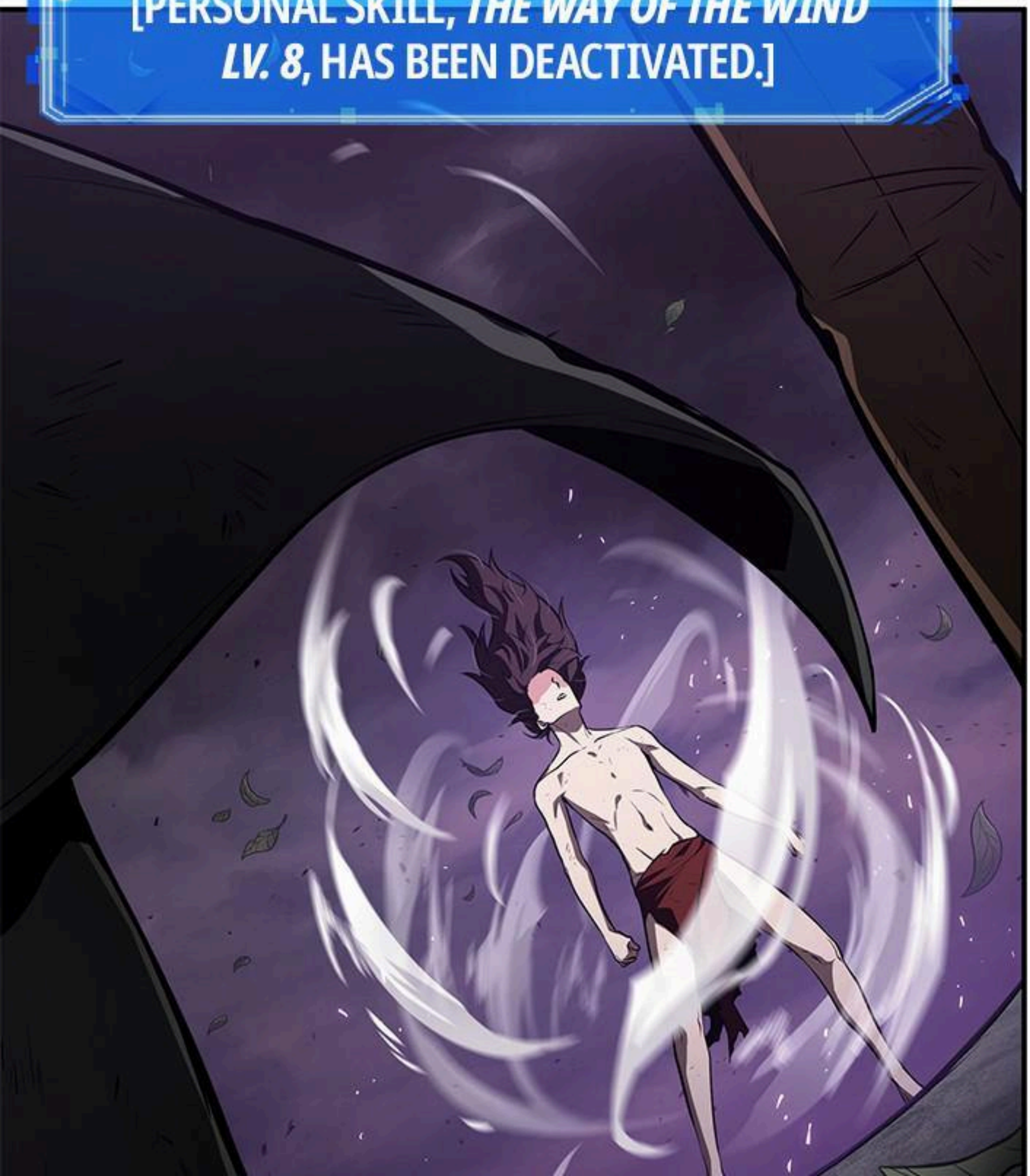
DID JUNGHYEOK TRANSFER HIS MANA TO ME?

WOW...

[ALL THE SEALS ON THE RETURNEE,
ILSANG MYEONG, HAVE BEEN REGENERATED.]



[PERSONAL SKILL, *THE WAY OF THE WIND LV. 8*, HAS BEEN DEACTIVATED.]



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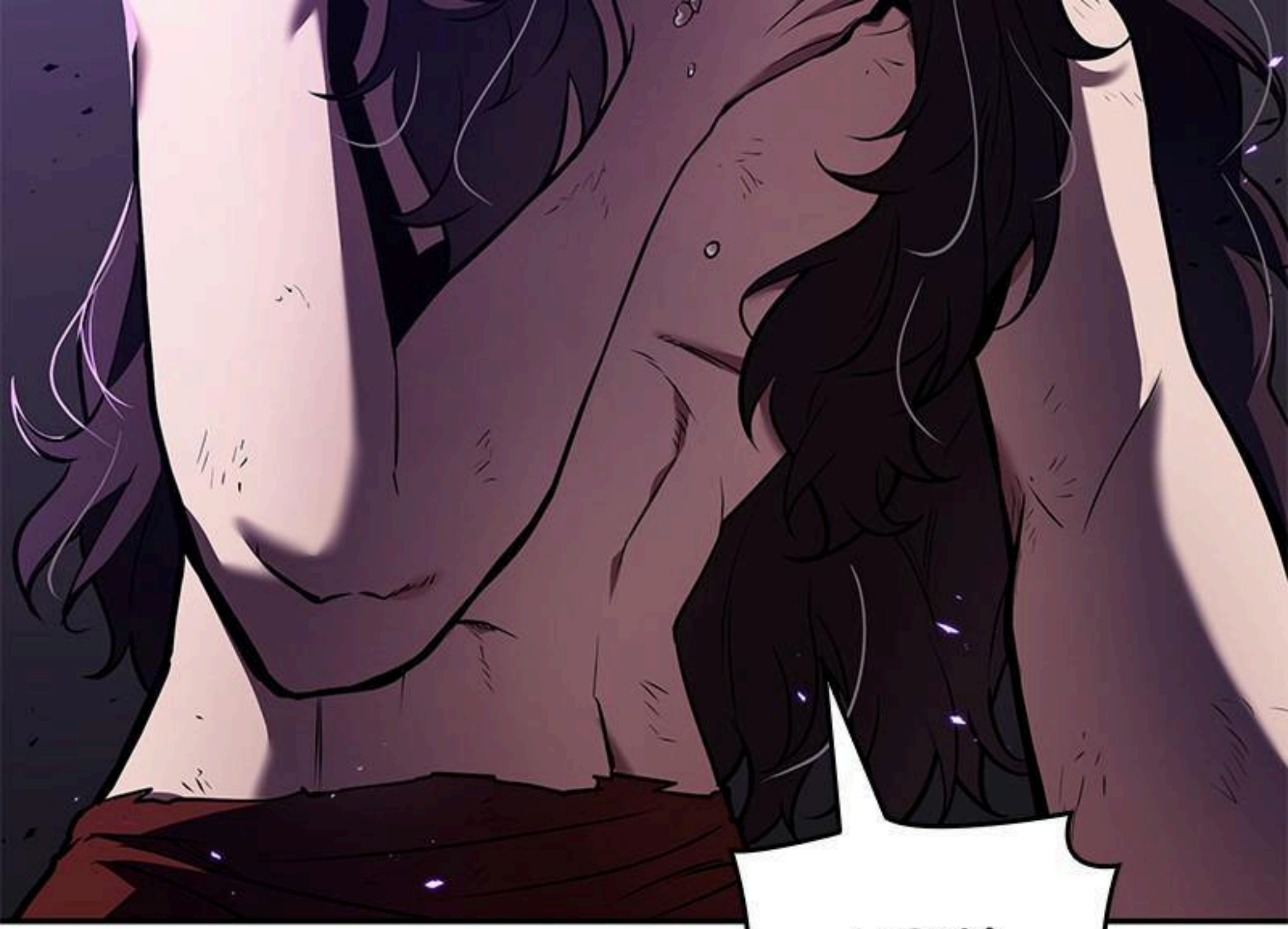

UGH!

I WILL KILL YOU IF YOU ASK ANY QUESTIONS. KEEP YOUR MOUTH SHUT.

T-THIS
CAN'T BE...

ILSANG MYEONG WAS A MERE 17-YEAR-OLD HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT.

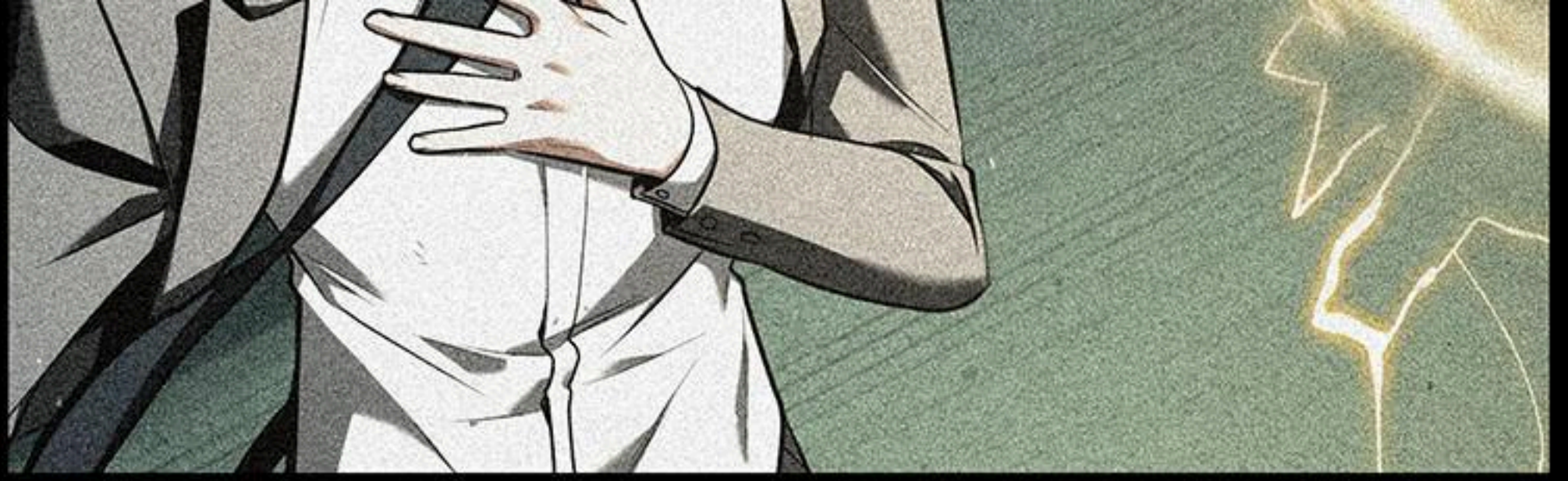
HE WAS ONCE

HE WAS ONCE A NAIVE CHILD WHO WAS CHOSEN AS THE HERO TO SAVE CHRONOS.

HE PROBABLY DIDN'T WANT TO TURN OUT LIKE THIS EITHER.

I... AM...

SUPPOSED...
TO BE...
THE MAIN...



CHARACTER...

[YOUR UNDERSTANDING OF THE CHARACTER
ILSANG MYEONG HAS INCREASED.]

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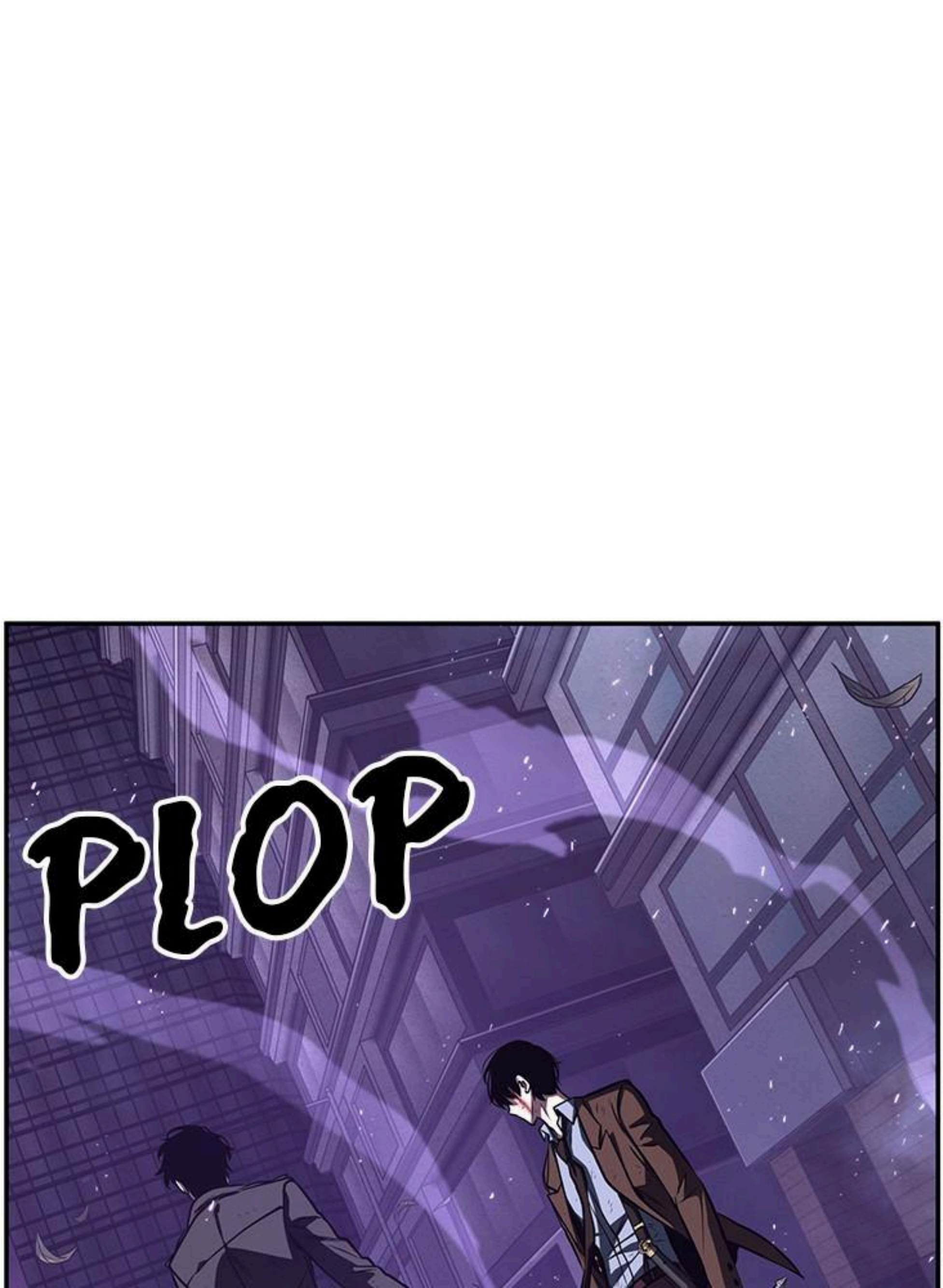
ACK!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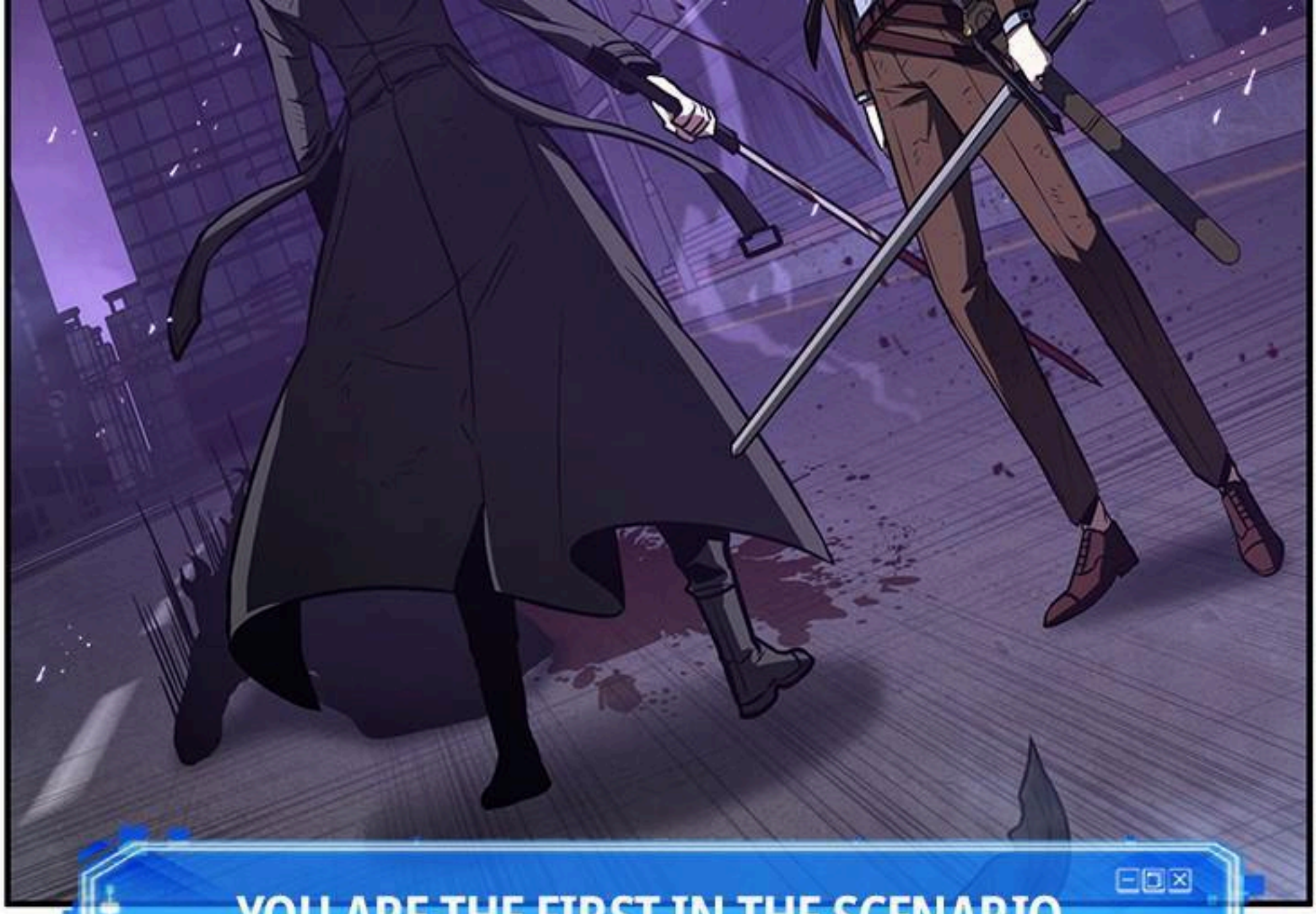
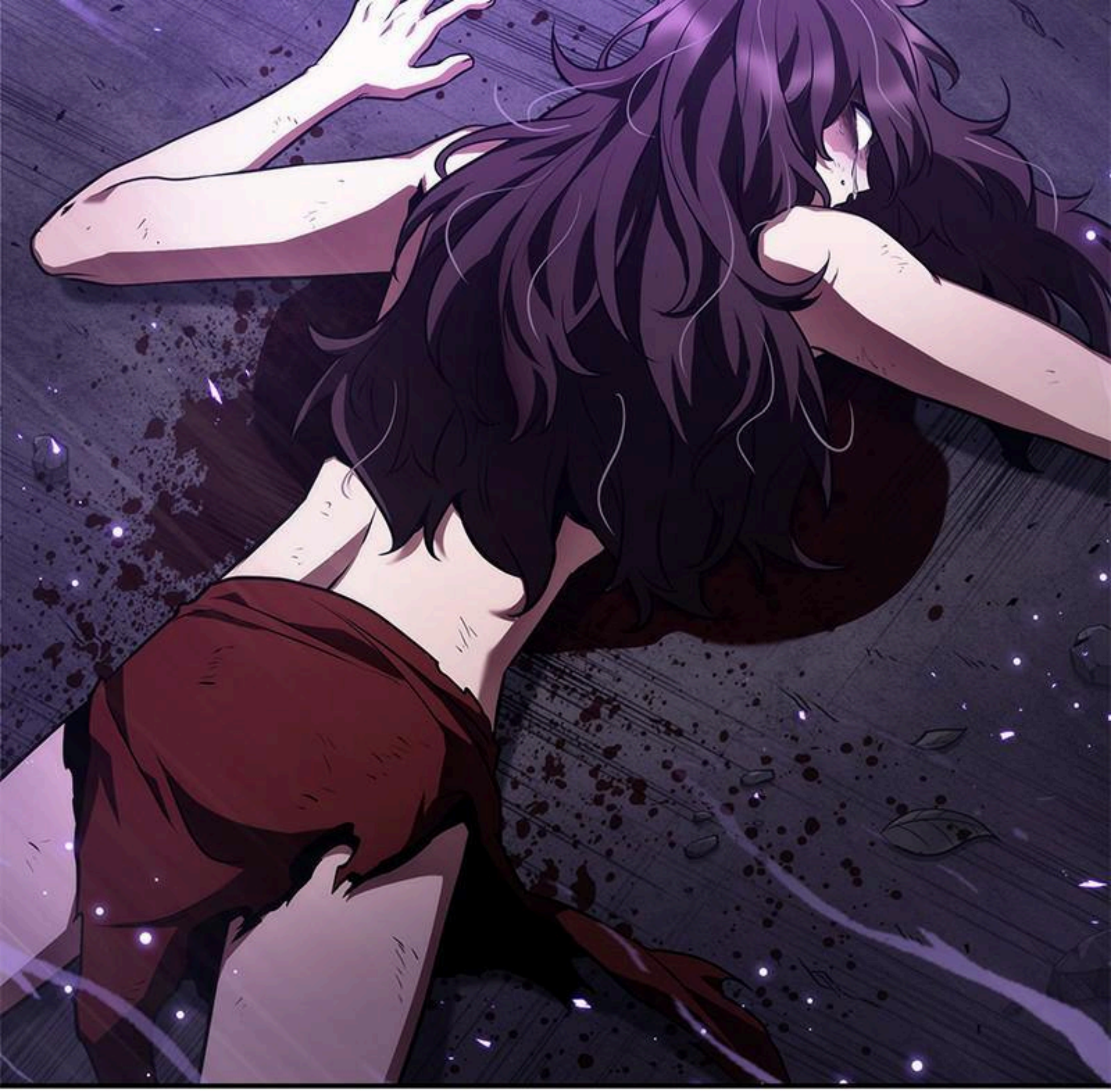

YOU ARE THE FIRST IN THE SCENARIO
TO FIGHT AND DEFEAT THE *RETURNEE*!

[MAIN CONTRIBUTORS: DOKJA KIM, JUNGHYEOK YU]

[YOU HAVE RECEIVED 40,000 COINS
FOR YOUR ACHIEVEMENT.]



[YOU HAVE RECEIVED A NEW *FABLE*.]

[THE FABLE, THE ONE WHO FOUGHT AGAINST A MIRACLE HAS

BEEN ADDED.]

[YOU HAVE OBTAINED THE POSSIBILITY FOR A NEW STIGMA.]

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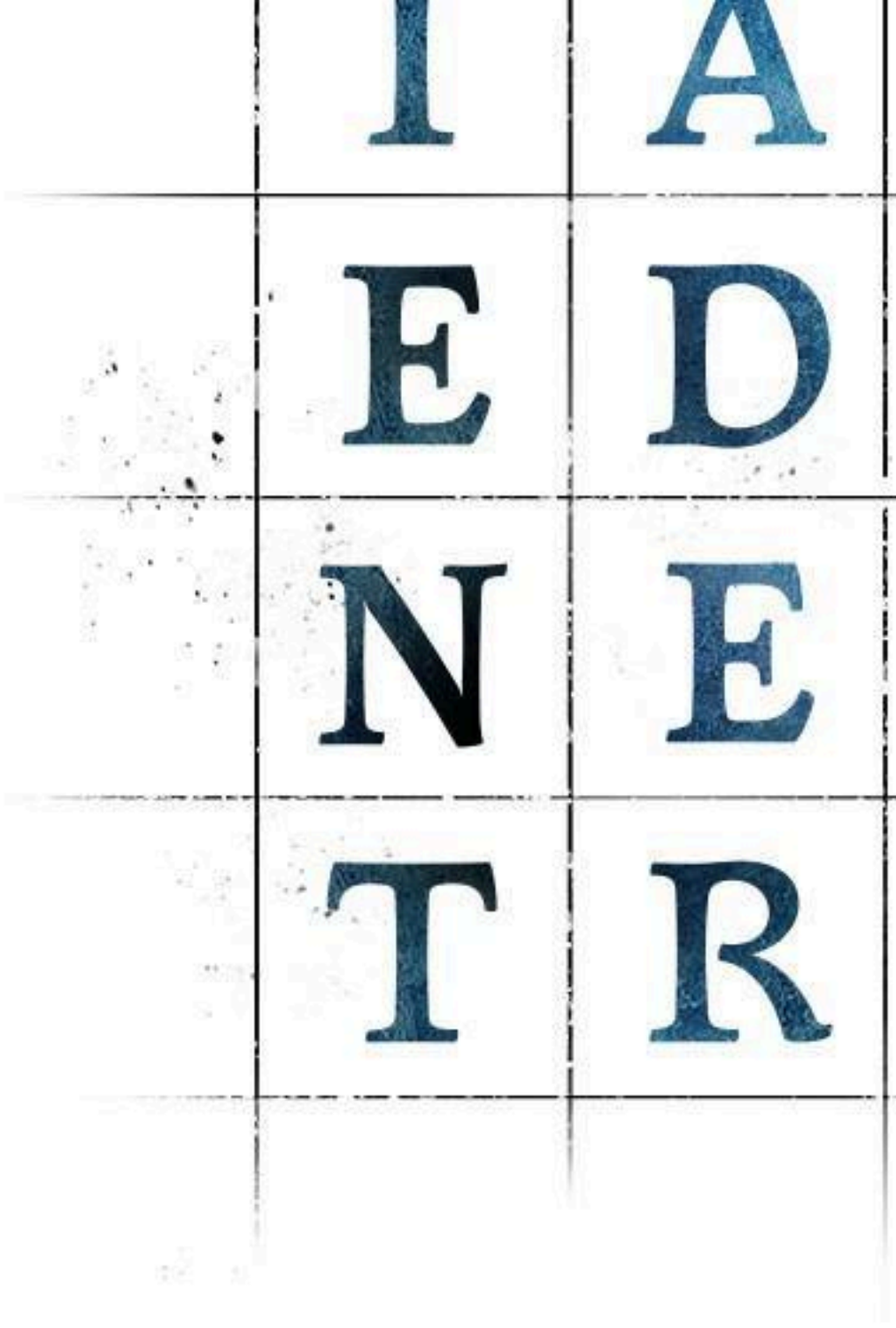

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Episode 84

Chapter 18

A Reader's Fight

A Reader's Flight

Part 2

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[CONSTELLATION, *PRISONER OF THE GOLDEN HEADBAND* IS SOMEWHAT SATISFIED.]

[HEADBAND, IS SOMEWHAT SATISFIED.]

[CONSTELLATION, *SECRETIVE PLOTTER*, NODS DESPITE HIS DISSATISFACTION.]

I CAN STILL FEEL THE WIND FLOWING FREELY IN MY HANDS.

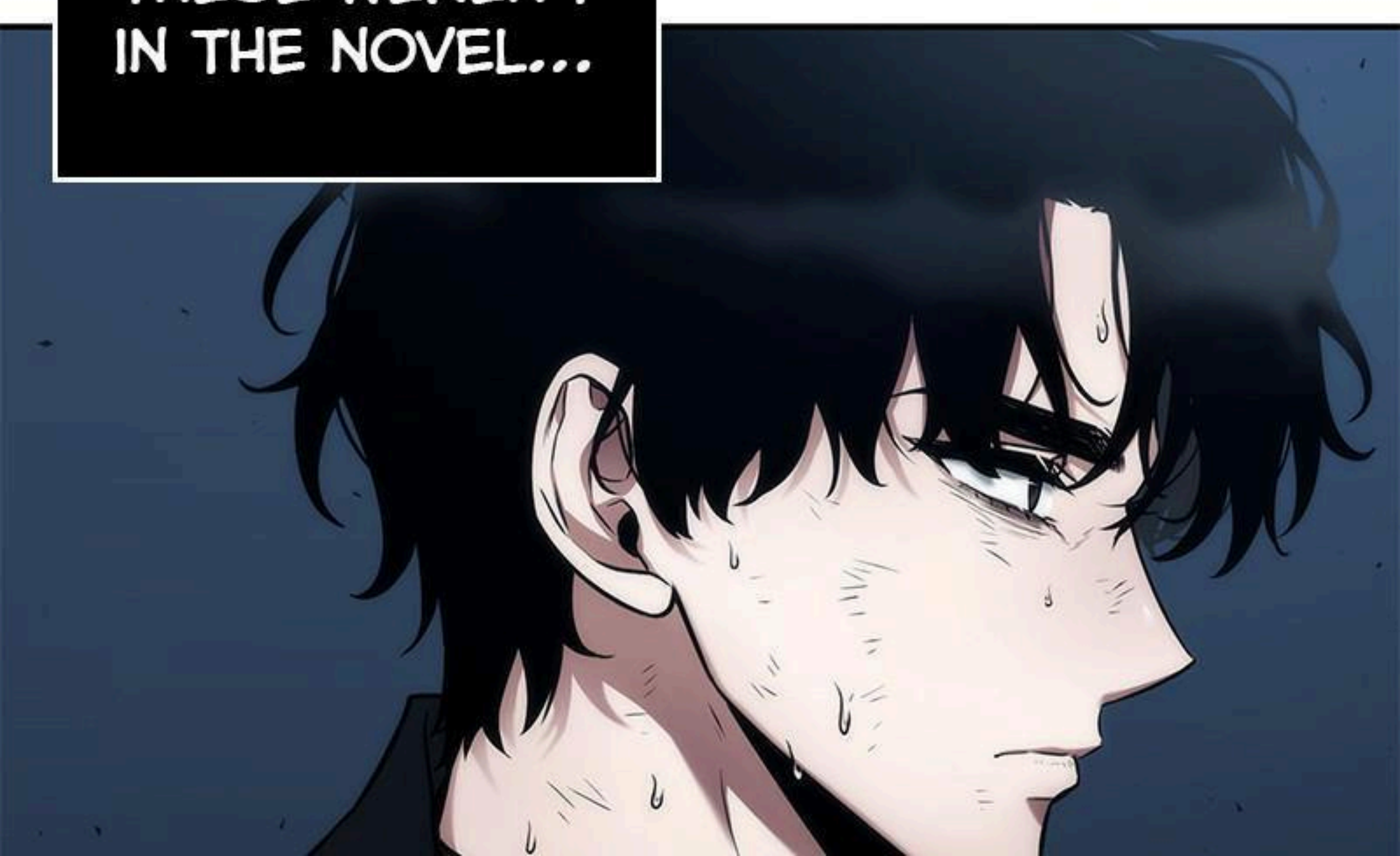
[CONSTELLATION, *DEMONIC JUDGE OF FIRE*, IS HAPPY WITH YOUR FABLE.]

IS HAPPY WITH YOUR FABLE.]

[SOMEONE HAS RECOMMENDED YOUR SCENARIO ON THE <STAR STREAM>.]

[YOU HAVE BEEN GIFTED 25,000 COINS.]

SCENES LIKE THESE WEREN'T IN THE NOVEL...



...AND THIS MAIN CHARACTER MUST HAVE SEEN IT HAPPEN OVER AND OVER AGAIN.

I'VE ALWAYS THOUGHT I HAD READ *TWSA* TO THE END,

BUT WHAT I'D READ WAS DIFFERENT FROM HOW I UNDERSTOOD IT.

PERHAPS
I DON'T KNOW
THIS WORLD...

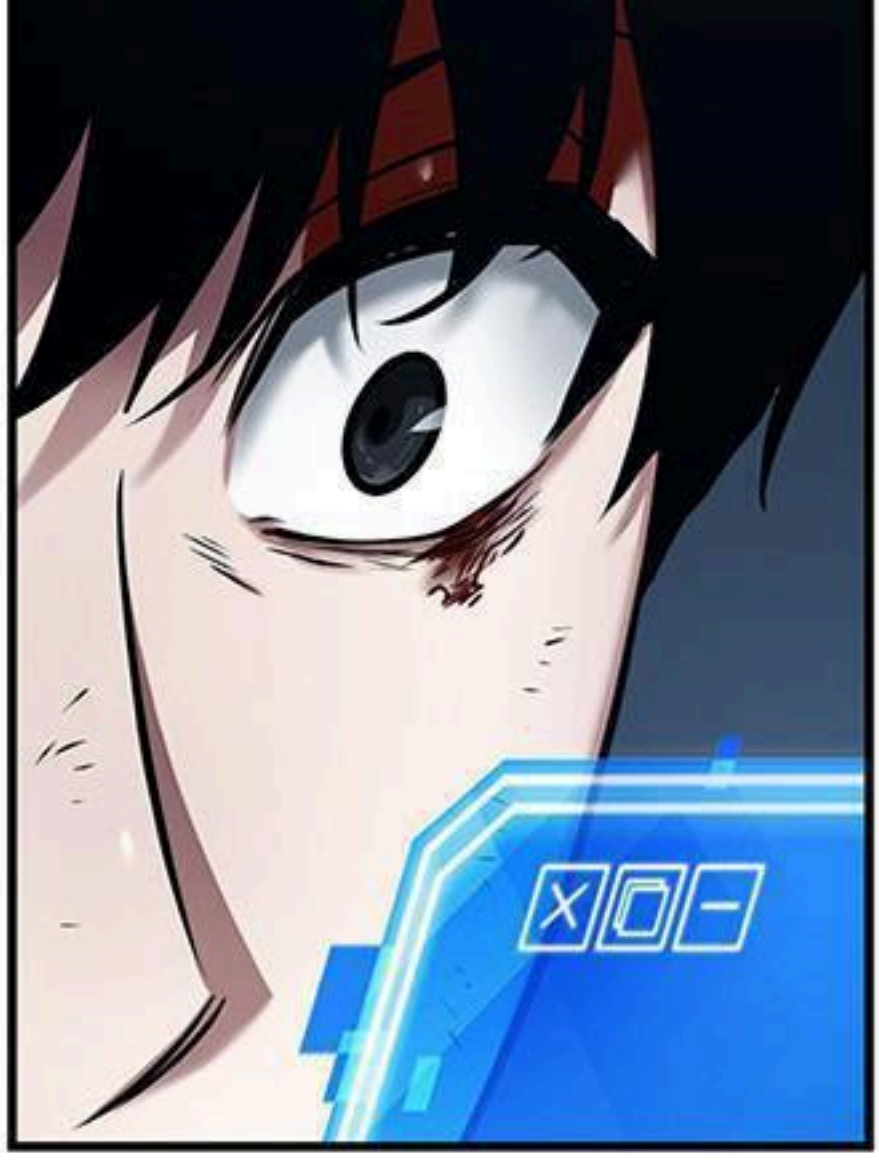
...AS WELL I
THINK I DO.

DING

HUH?

!

WHAT'S THIS?



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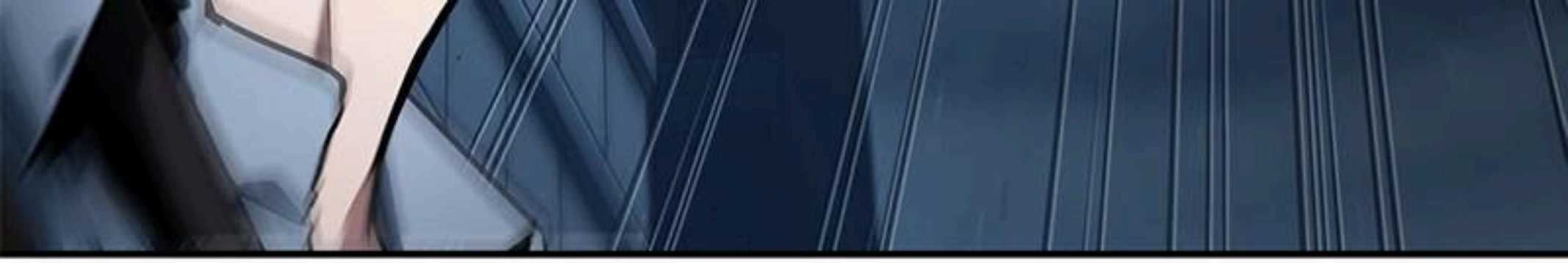
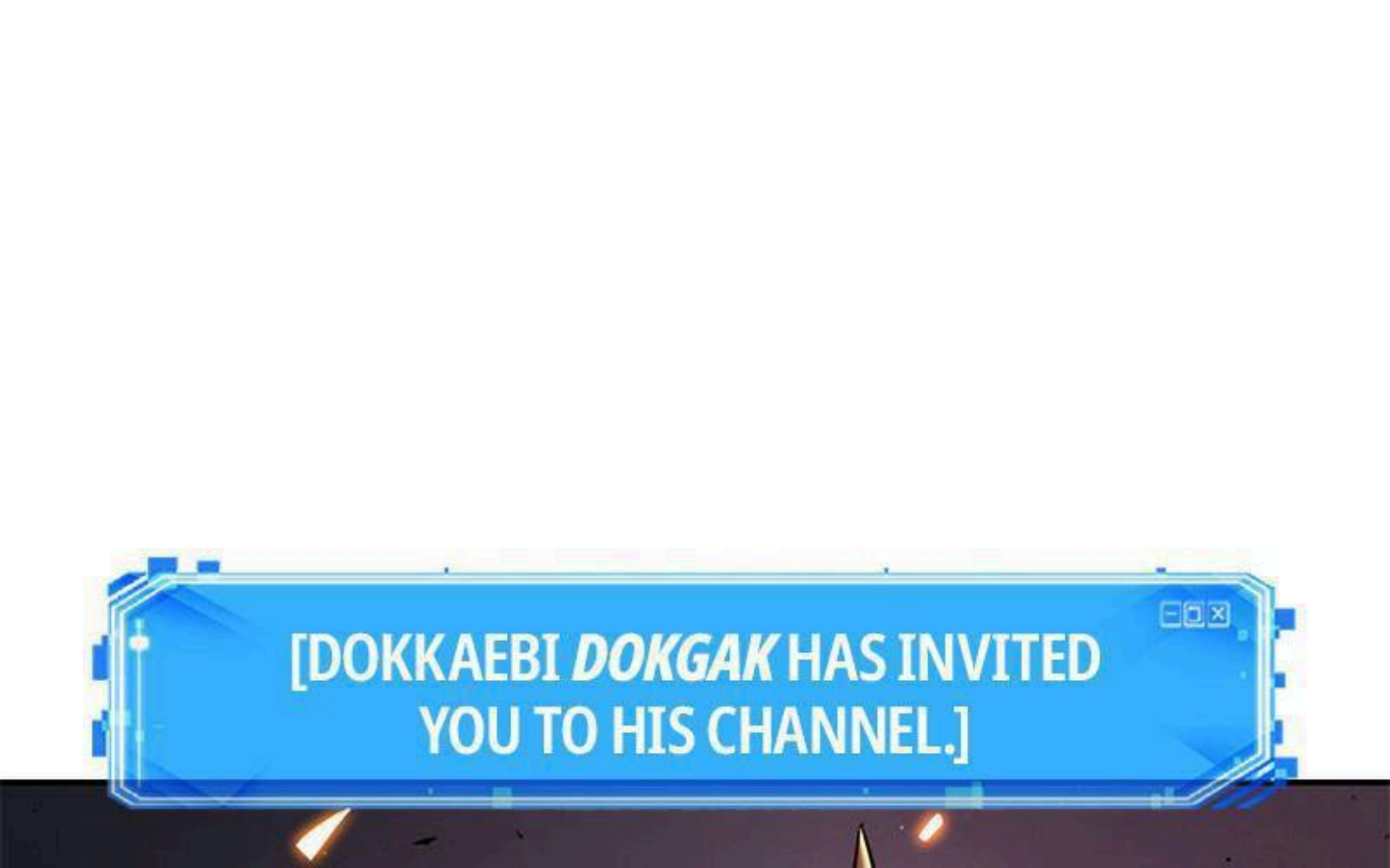
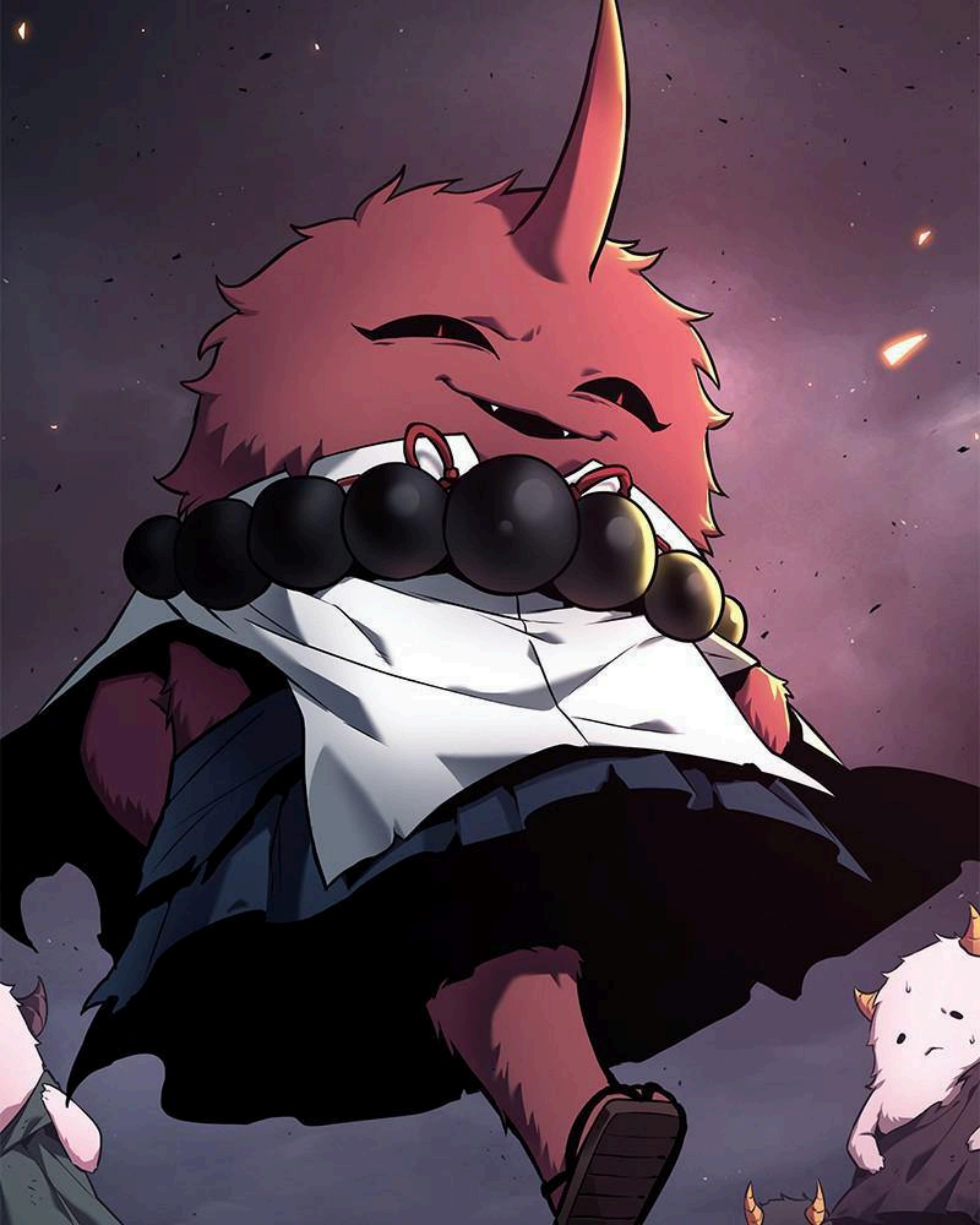


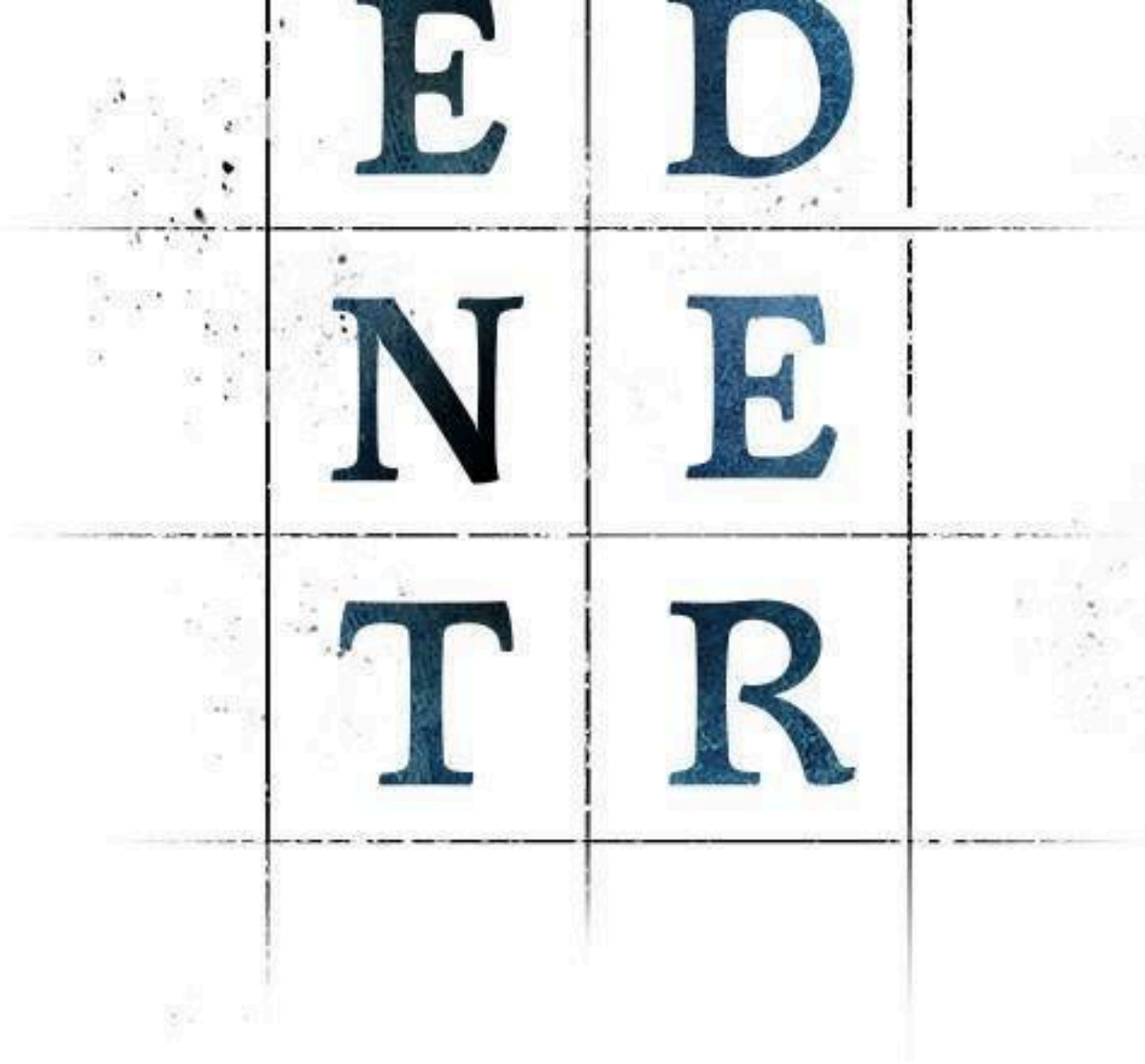

[DOKKAEBI *DOKGAK* HAS INVITED
YOU TO HIS CHANNEL.]



WHO INVITED
WHO NOW?

OMNISCIA

RECIA



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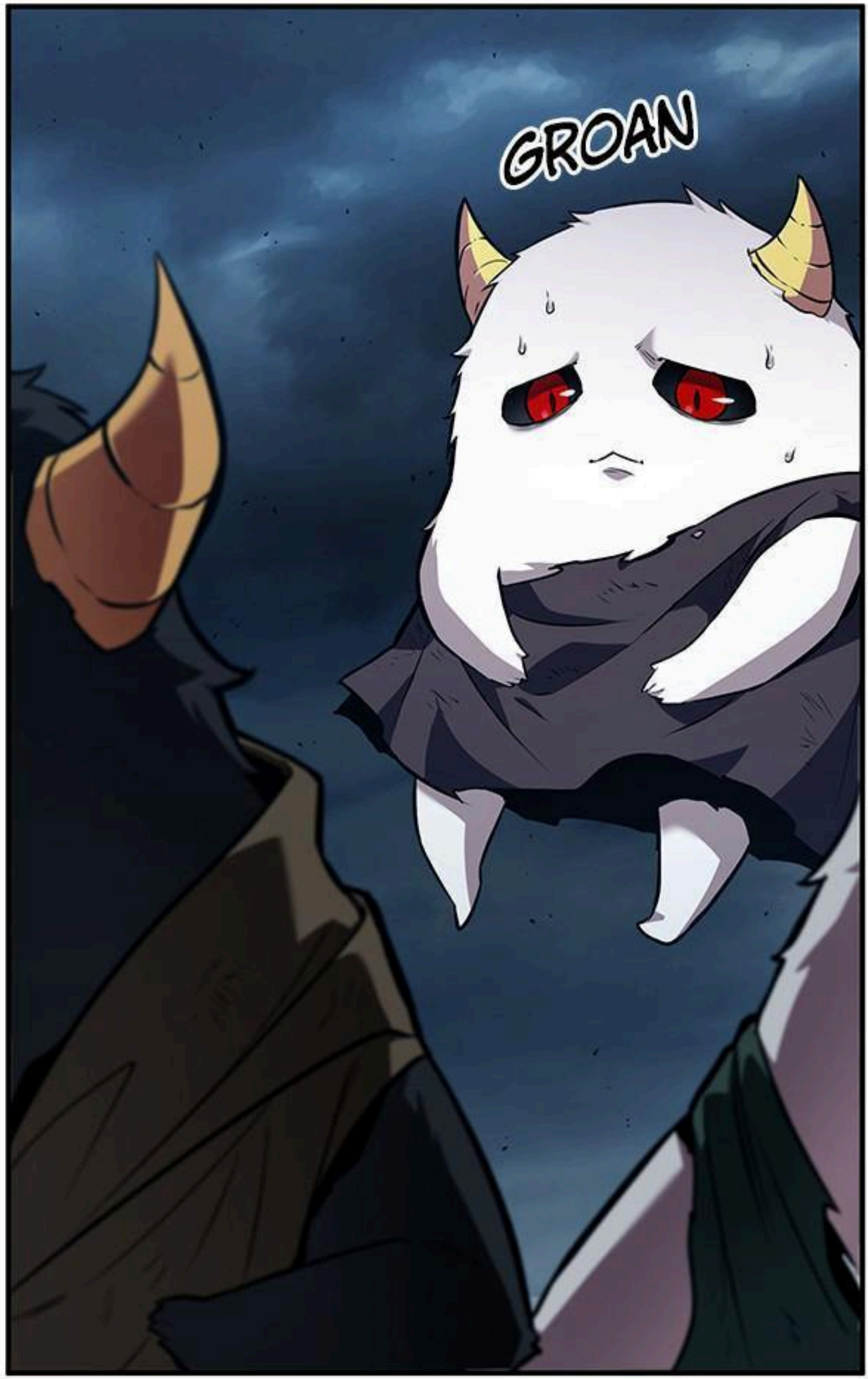
Chapter 18

A Reader's Fight

Part 3


GROAN

...

I SEE WHAT'S GOING ON.

I'LL PRETEND I DIDN'T SEE HIM.

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

WHERE'S MY REWARD?
FLINCH

DOKGAK

A STORYTELLER,

WHO OWNS MULTIPLE MAJOR CHANNELS, INCLUDING THE TOKYO DOME.

SNAP

ALL YES

AH, YES.
YOUR REWARD.
MY APOLOGIES.

MY MISTAKE.

BIHYEONG AND
THE MANY OTHER
MID-LEVEL DOKKAEBI
ARE ALL TALK,

BUT DOKGAK
IS DIFFERENT.
HE SHOULDN'T BE

TAKEN LIGHTLY.

[THE SUB SCENARIO, *SSS-GRADE HUNT*,
HAS BEEN COMPLETED.]

[CALCULATING REWARDS.]

[YOU HAVE RECEIVED
50,000 COINS AS A REWARD.]

DING

DING

DING

IT WAS DOKGAK WHO STARTED THE SUB SCENARIO,

I BET HE HATED THAT.

SO MOST OF THIS REWARD MUST HAVE COME OUT OF HIS POCKET.

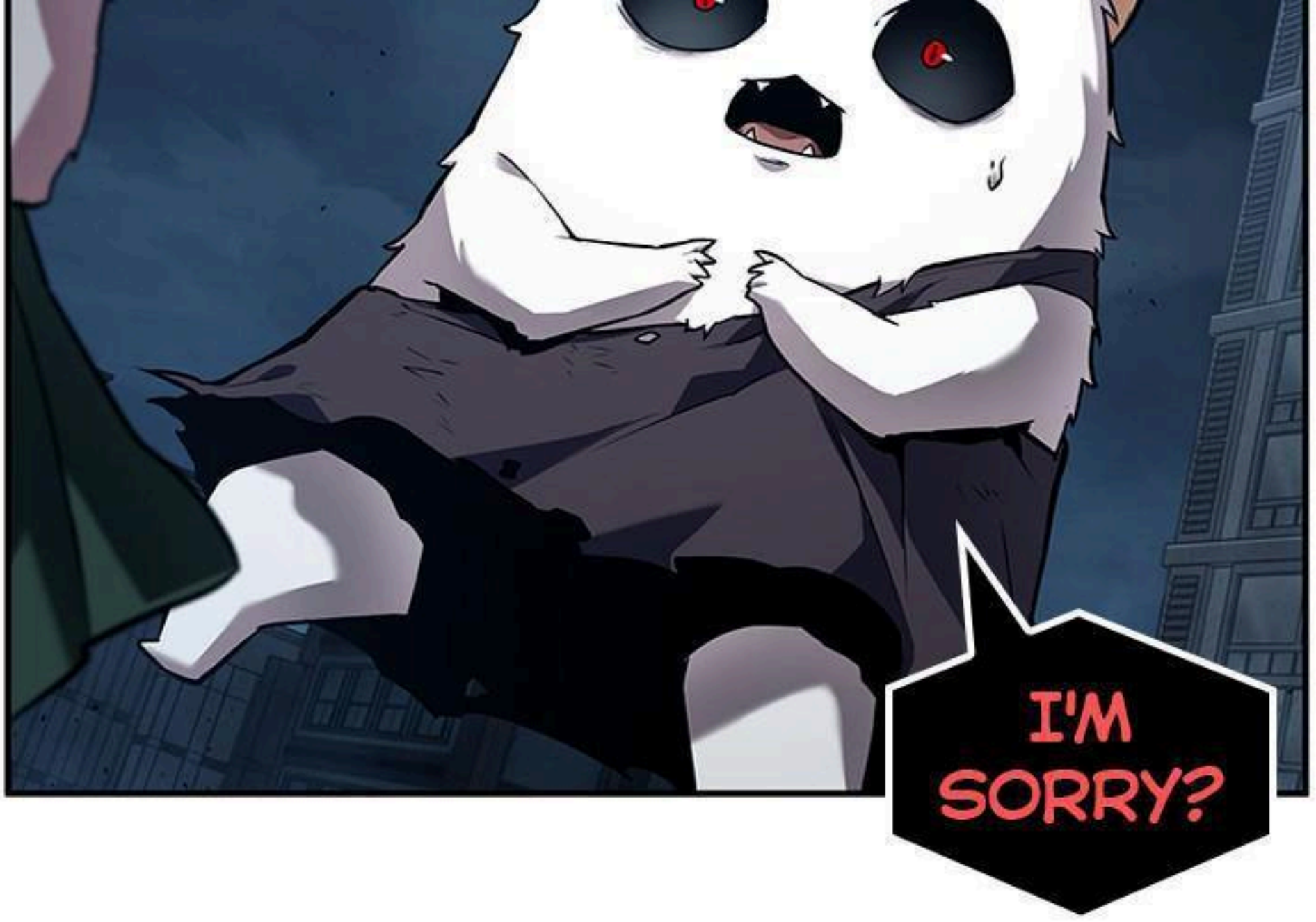
AND THE ADDITIONAL REWARD?

THERE WAS MORE IF I REMEMBER CORRECTLY.

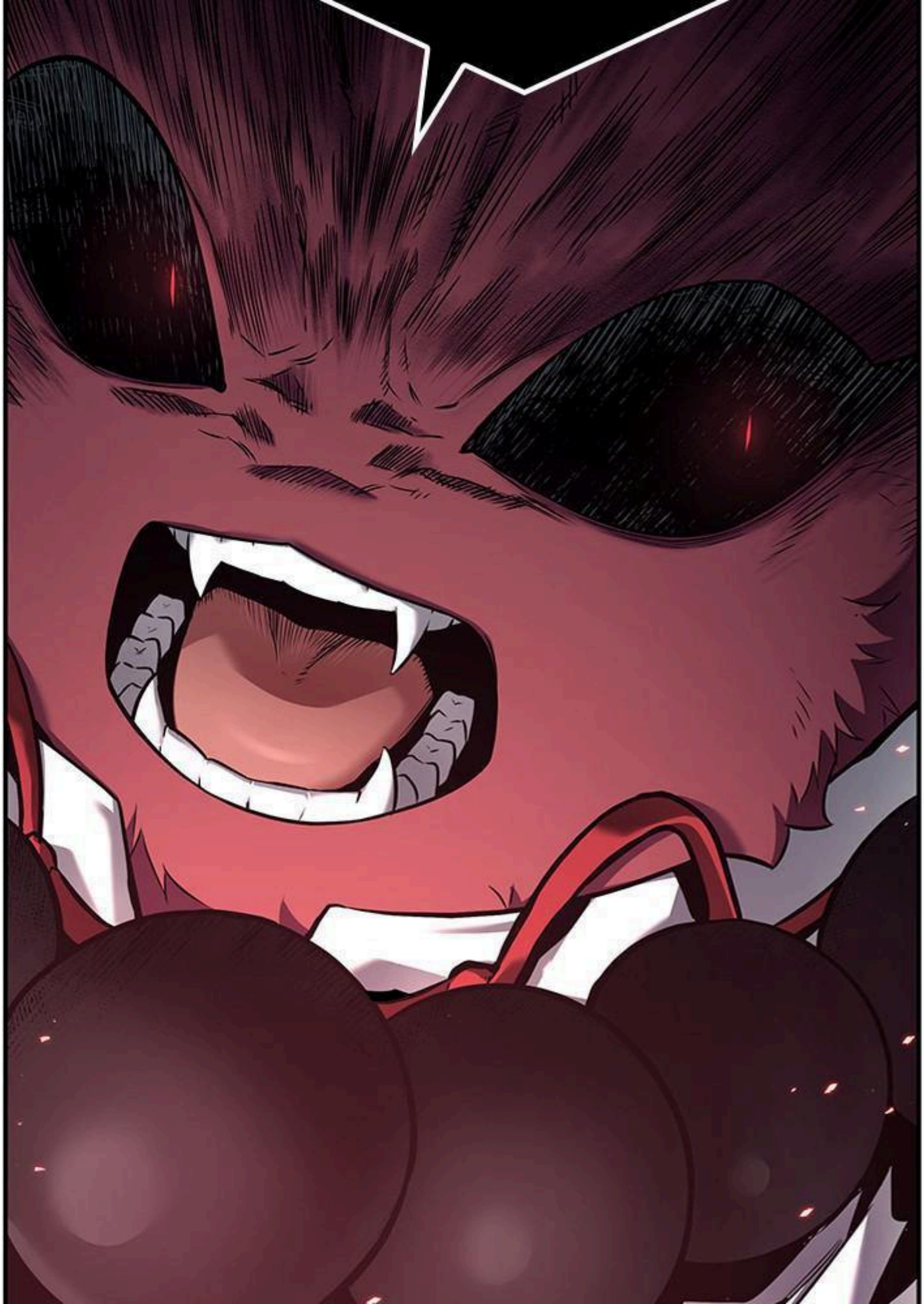
GLANCE

AH,
OF COURSE.
I'LL GIVE IT TO
YOU NOW.
AFTER ALL,
YOU WERE THE
ONE WHO MADE
THIS SCENARIO
ENTERTAINING.

BIHYEONG.
PREPARE HIS
REWARD.
M



PREPARE HIS REWARD. DO I HAVE TO TELL YOU AGAIN?



HA!
LOOK AT
HIM GO.

BUT YOU'RE IN CHARGE OF THE CURRENT SUB SCENARIO...

BIHYEONG.

WORD HAS IT THAT YOUR CHANNEL GREW CONSIDERABLY AS OF LATE.

BOTH JAPAN AND KOREA WILL BE COMPETING IN THE

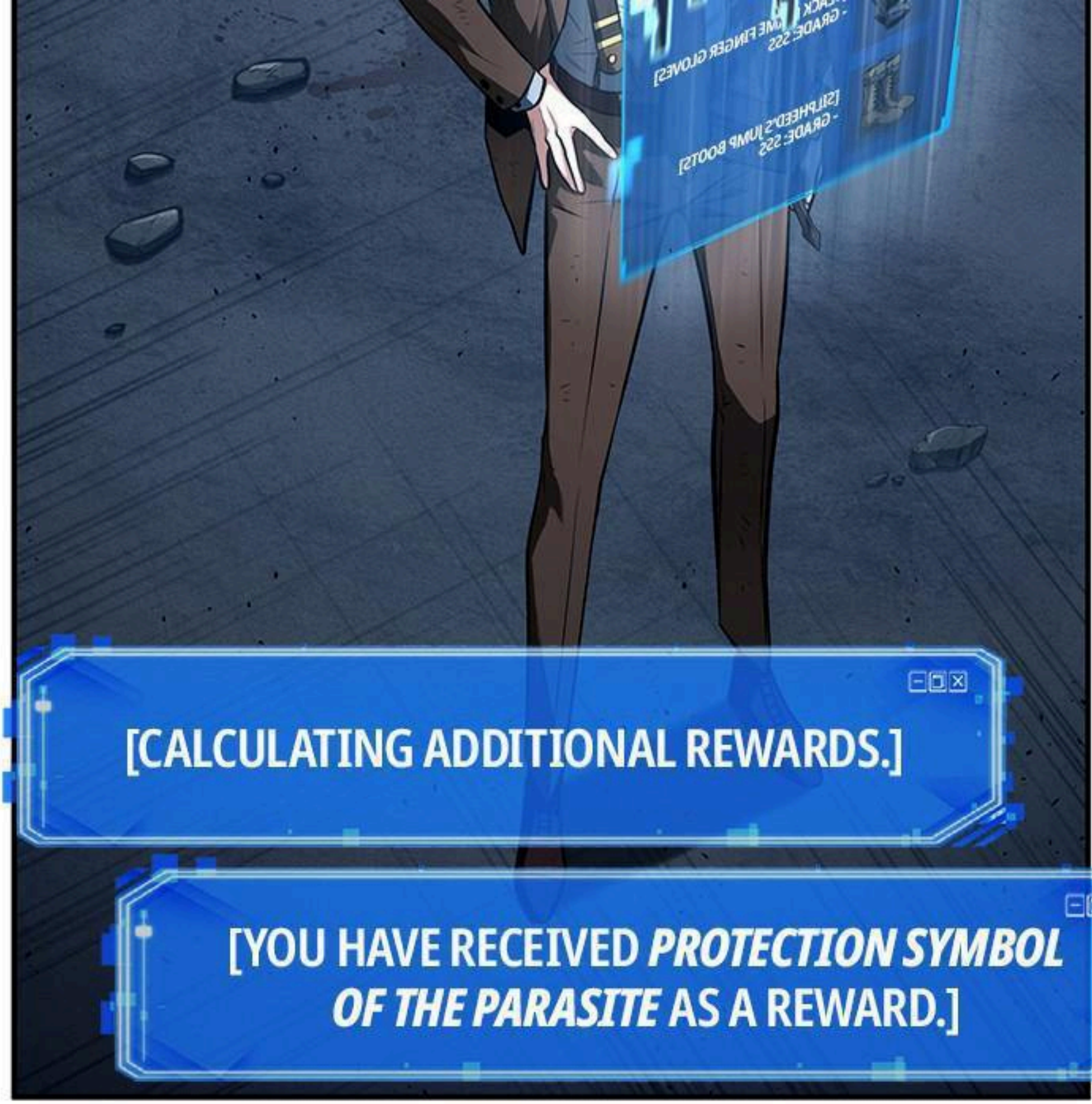
N-NO, SIR! IT HASN'T!

SIXTH SCENARIO TOGETHER.
DON'T TELL ME YOU FORGOT.
I'M SORRY, SIR. I'LL GET IT READY RIGHT AWAY!

POWER DYNAMICS EXISTS EVEN BETWEEN THE DOKKAEBI.

WE'VE HAD OUR UPS AND DOWNS, BUT SEEING BIHYEONG TREATED LIKE THAT...

HE'S PRACTICALLY LICKING DOKGAK'S BOOTS.



[YOU HAVE RECEIVED *PROTECTION SYMBOL OF THE PARASITE* AS A REWARD.]

[ADDITIONAL REWARDS OF YOUR CHOOSING ARE AVAILABLE.]

[YOU WERE THE BIGGEST CONTRIBUTOR IN COMPLETING THE SCENARIO.]

[YOU ARE GIVEN THE FIRST CHANCE TO SELECT THE ADDITIONAL ITEM OF YOUR CHOICE.]

TEM SELECT]

[INFINITE DIMENSION SPACE COAT]
- GRADE: SSS

[BLACK FLAME FINGER GLOVES]
- GRADE: SSS

[SILPHEED'S JUMP BOOTS]
- GRADE: SSS

WOW

LOOKS LIKE THEY'RE GOING TO GIVE ME SOMETHING USEFUL FOR DEFEATING A CATASTROPHE.

THEY'RE ALL SSS-GRADE ITEMS.

CHOOSE
YOUR REWARD.

HE LOOKS
SO DOWN AFTER
HEARING AN EARFUL
FROM DOKGAK.

I PERSONALLY RECOMMEND THE ***INFINITE DIMENSION SPACE COAT***. IT HAS A HIDDEN SKILL, AND YOU CAN UPGRADE IT EASILY.

[ITEM SELECT]

BUYEONG2

BIHYEONG?

TO EXPLAIN TO THE CONSTELLATIONS WHAT EACH ITEM DOES?

OH, YES, SIR!

...

HE IS MY MANAGER AFTER ALL.

RACE COAT]

WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO PICK, JUNGHYEOK?

GASP

[ITEM SELECT]

• GRADE: ZZZ
[DIMENSION SPACE COAT]

• GRADE: ZZZ
[BLACK FLAME FINGER GLOVES]

• GRADE: ZZZ
[SPEEDSTER] LAVA BOOTS

[THE CHARACTER, *JUNGHYEOK YU*,
IS USING *RECOVERY HIBERNATION LV. 3.*]

HAS HE PASSED OUT AGAIN WHILE STANDING?
WHY CAN'T HE PASS OUT NORMALLY?

WELL, I GUESS HE DID PUSH HIMSELF A LITTLE TOO MUCH.

GO AHEAD
IF YOU WANT TO
GET BEATEN UP BY
JUNGHYEOK
LATER.

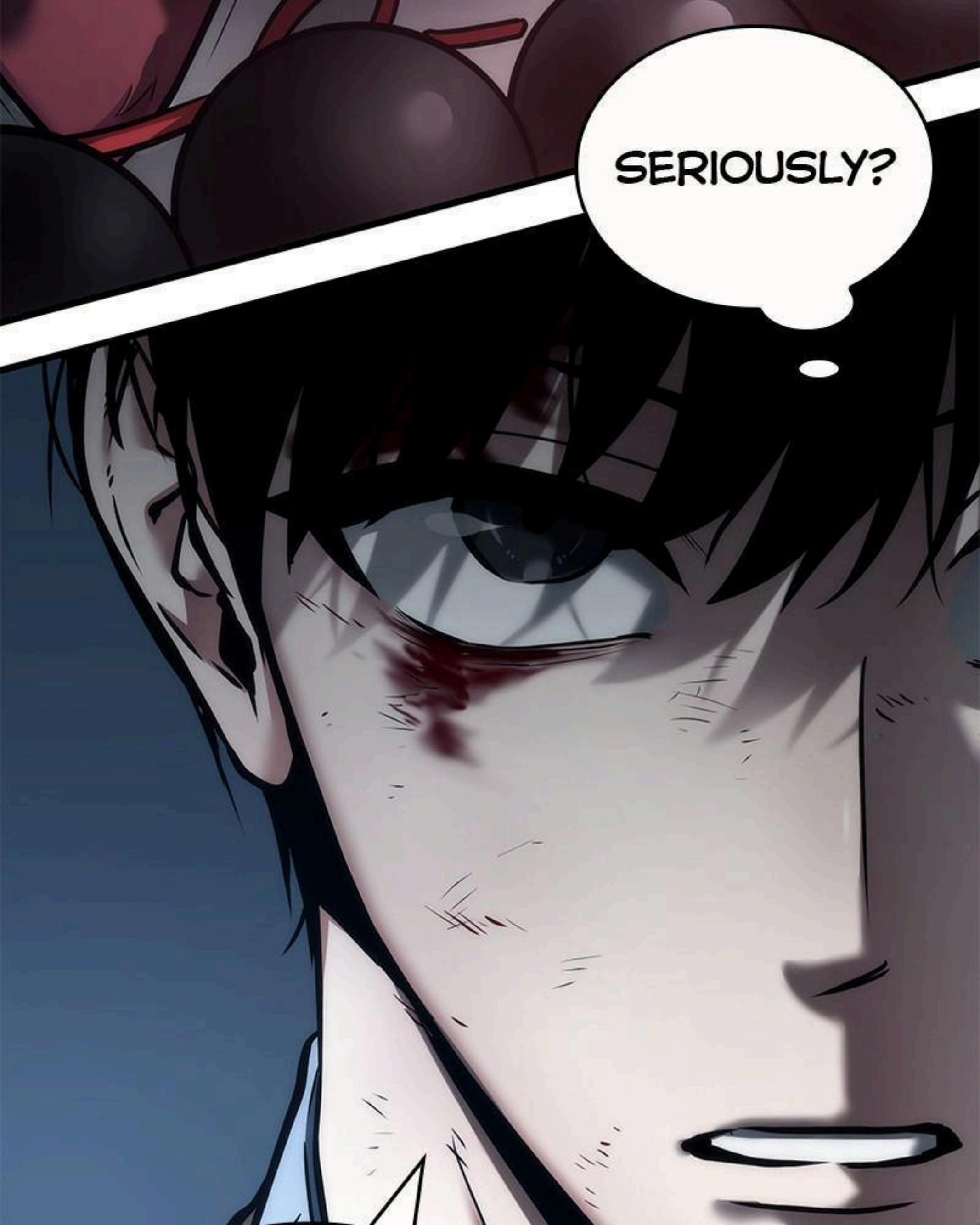
I CHOOSE
INFINITE DIMENSION
SPACE COAT.

GREAT CHOICE.

WE'LL MOVE TO THE REWARD AREA THEN.

THE REWARD AREA?

ADDITIONAL REWARDS CANNOT BE ISSUED HERE.

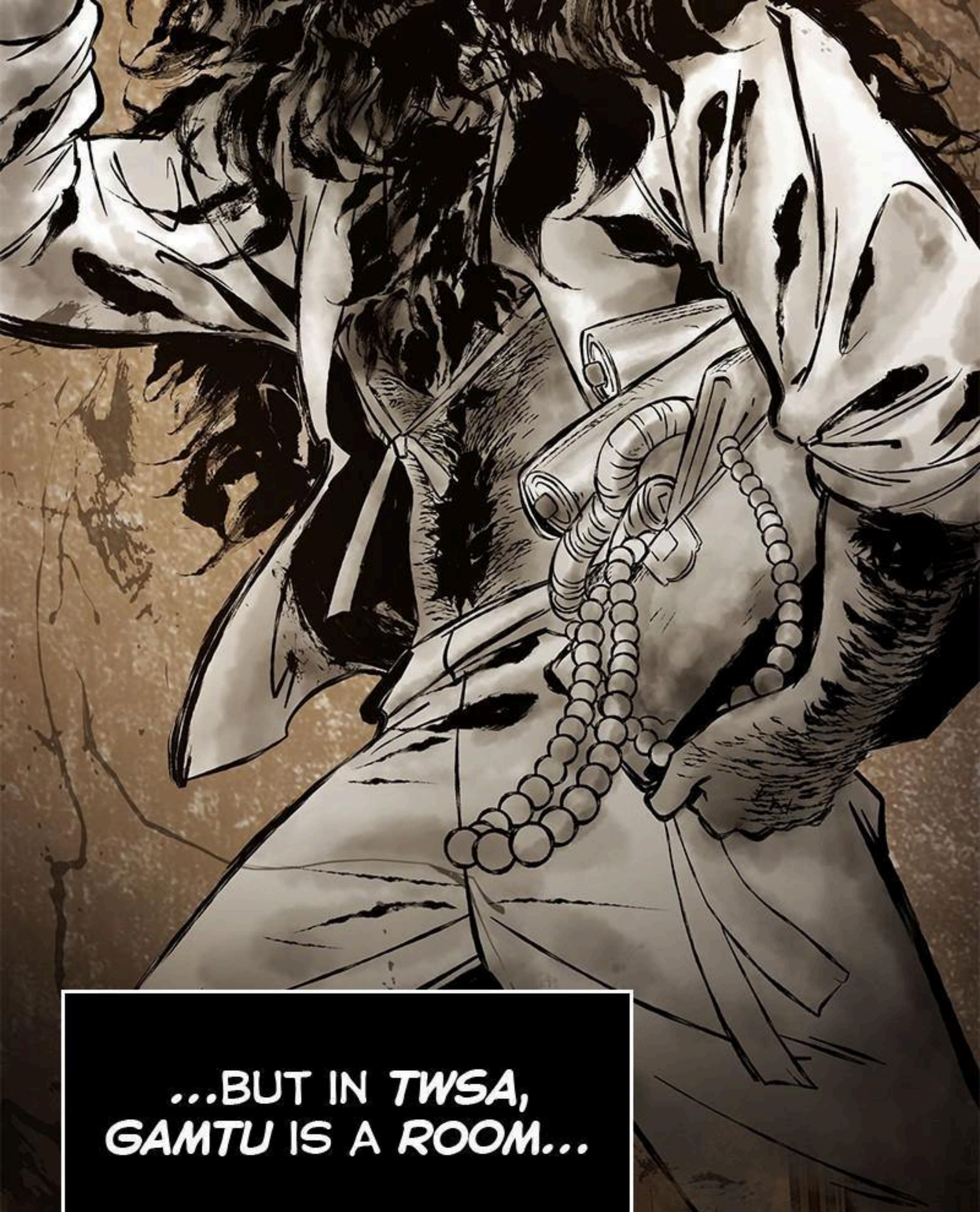

SERIOUSLY?

WHERE ARE YOU GOING TO TAKE ME?

I WILL ESCORT YOU TO MY *DOKKAEBI GAMTU.*

DOKKAEBI GAMTU.

IN TRADITIONAL FAIRY TALES, *GAMTU* IS A HAT WORN BY GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS...


...BUT IN *TWSA*,
GAMTU IS A *ROOM*...

...WHERE

THE DOKKAEBI HIDE THEIR TRUE SELVES.

I DON'T THINK SO.

JUST GIVE IT TO ME HERE.

THERE'S NO

TELLING WHAT MIGHT HAPPEN IF I GO TO HIS PERSONAL SPACE.

AND THERE ARE NO RULES THAT

SAY I HAVE TO GO TO A *DOKKAEBI GAMTU* TO RECEIVE SCENARIO REWARDS.

HMM...

IF YOU KEEP MAKING A FUSS, I CAN CHOOSE TO CANCEL YOUR REWARD.

FINE.

!

INTERESTING...

THE <START STREAM> IS PARTICULARLY THOROUGH WHEN IT COMES TO REWARDS.

THERE'S NO WAY HE COULD TAKE BACK A REWARD, EVEN IF IT'S FOR A *SUB SCENARIO*.

I WOULDN'T DO THAT IF I WERE YOU.

!

DOKKAEBI
COMMUNICATION?!

I HAVE HEARD STORIES ABOUT YOU, DOKJA KIM.

YOU'RE SO FAMOUS THAT EVEN THE CONSTELLATIONS ABROAD KNOW ABOUT YOU.

I'LL GET RIGHT TO THE POINT.

JOIN MY CHANNEL.

!!!

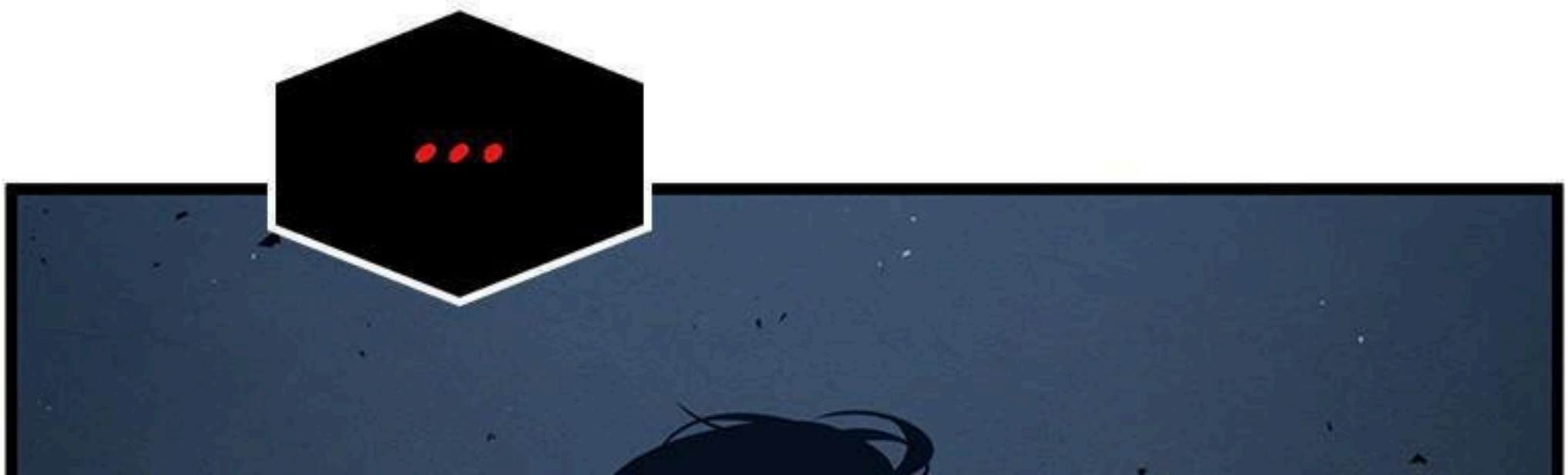
I AM PLANNING TO EXPAND MY CHANNEL

IN KOREA. I AM WILLING TO MEET ANY TERMS YOU WANT.

INTERESTING.
I DIDN'T EXPECT HIM TO MAKE SUCH AN OFFER.

THIS IS LIKE A PLAYER IN THE ASIAN SOCCER LEAGUE...
...RECEIVING AN OFFER TO PLAY FOR THE TOP TEAM IN LALIGA.

WHATEVER.
I JUST WANT YOU TO GIVE ME MY REWARD AND GET OUT OF MY FACE.



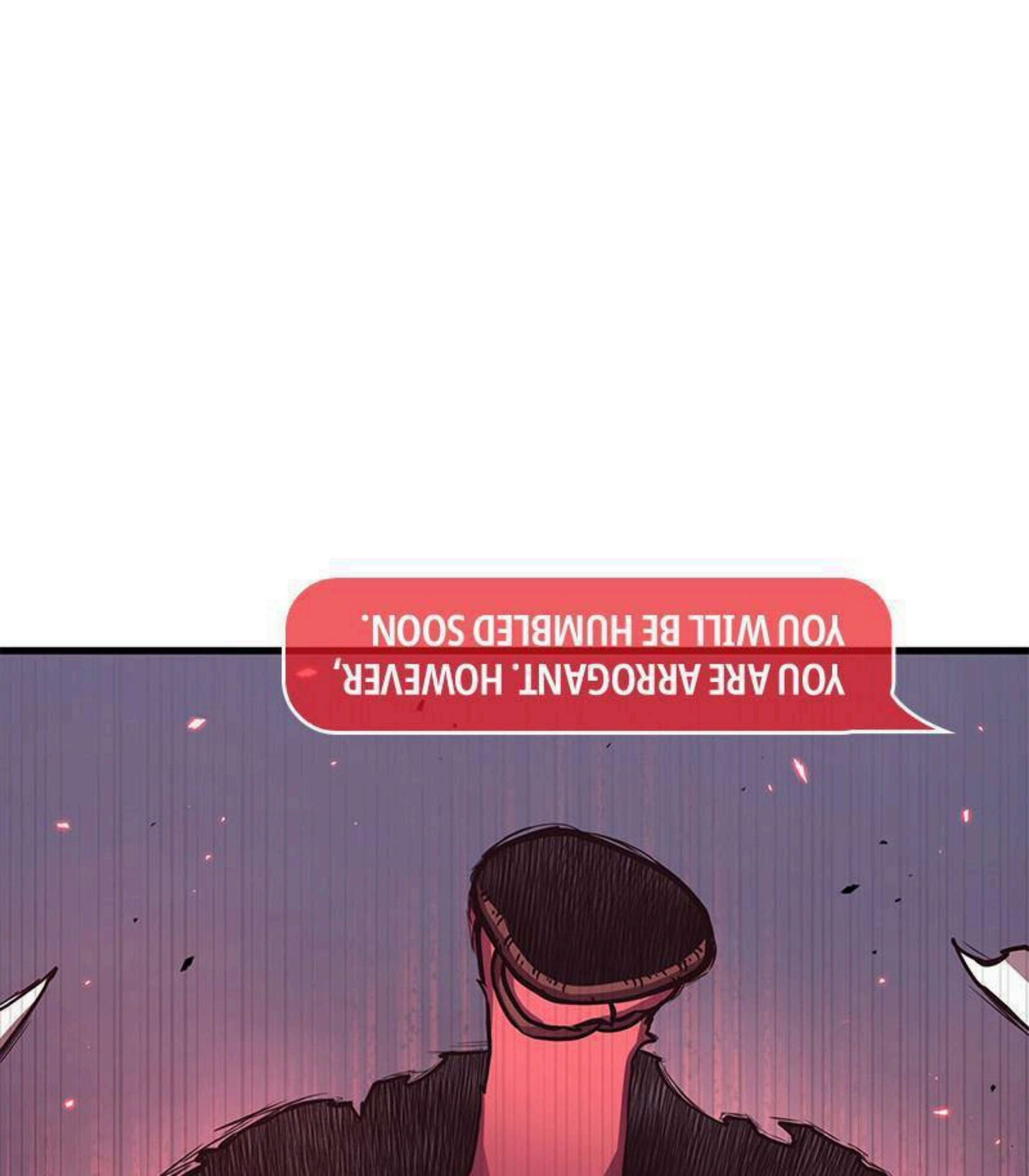
I GUESS THE

I GUESS THE RUMORS WERE TRUE. YOU AREN'T AFRAID OF THE DOKKAEBI AT ALL.

I GUESS IT CAN'T BE HELPED THEN.

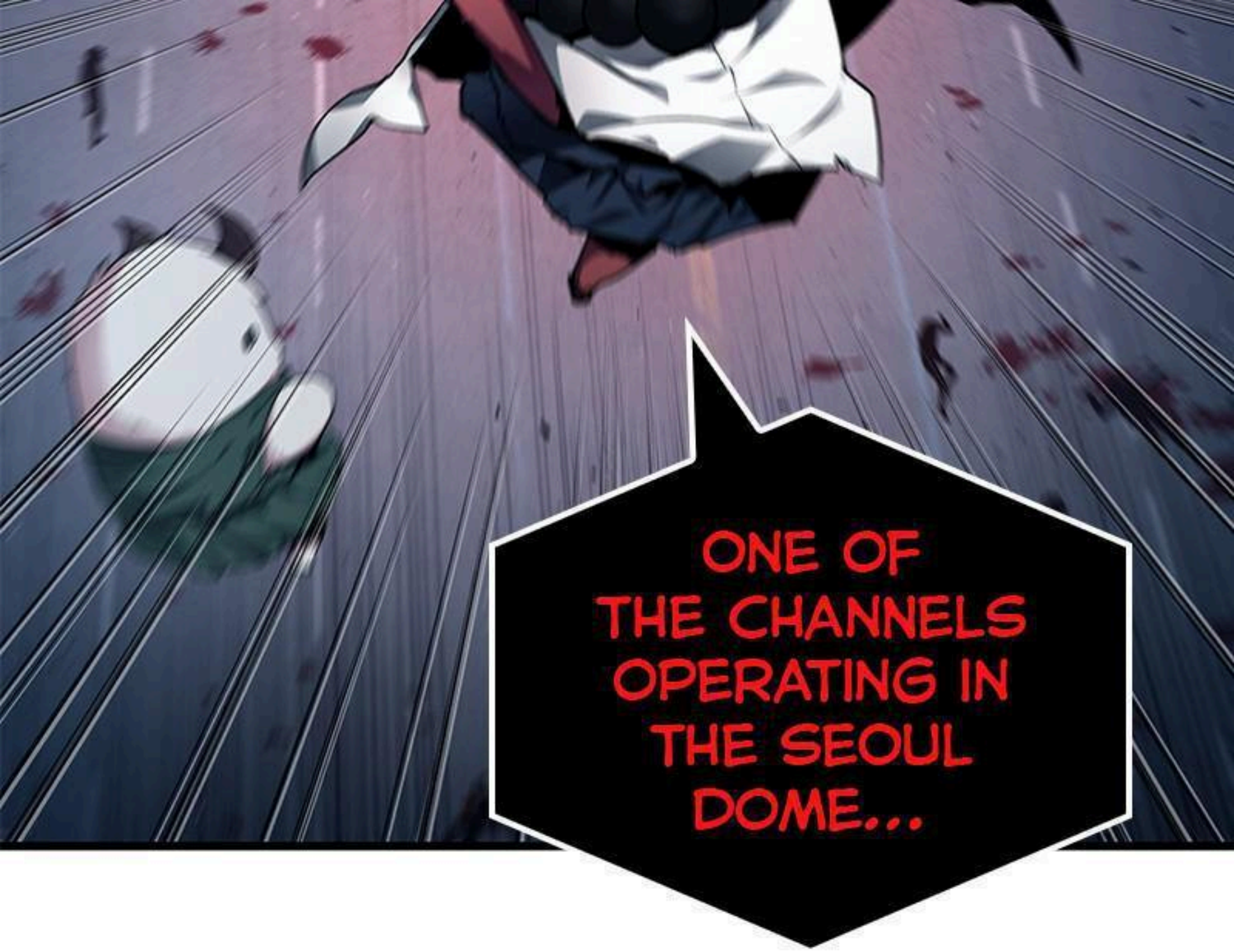
I WAS WAITING TO

TO ANNOUNCE THIS AFTER GIVING OUT THE *REWARDS*, BUT YOU LEAVE ME NO CHOICE.


YOU ARE ARROGANT. HOWEVER,
YOU WILL BE HUMBLED SOON.

THIS GOES OUT TO ALL THE CONSTELLATIONS WHO HAVE BEEN EAGERLY WATCHING THE SCENARIO.

I'M AFRAID I HAVE BAD NEWS.


ONE OF
THE CHANNELS
OPERATING IN
THE SEOUL
DOME...

...HAS BEEN ILLEGALLY MANIPULATING THE SCENARIOS.

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[MANY CONSTELLATIONS ARE PAYING ATTENTION TO *DOKGAK*'S ANNOUNCEMENT.]

THE CHANNEL IS

#BI-7623 RUN BY THE DOKKAEBI BIHYEONG.

WHAT?

ACCORDING TO INVESTIGATIONS, IT WAS FOUND THAT THE *PLAUSIBILITY* OF THE SCENARIO...

HAD BEEN VIOLATED BY BIHYEONG'S EXCESSIVE MANIPULATIONS.

M-ME?

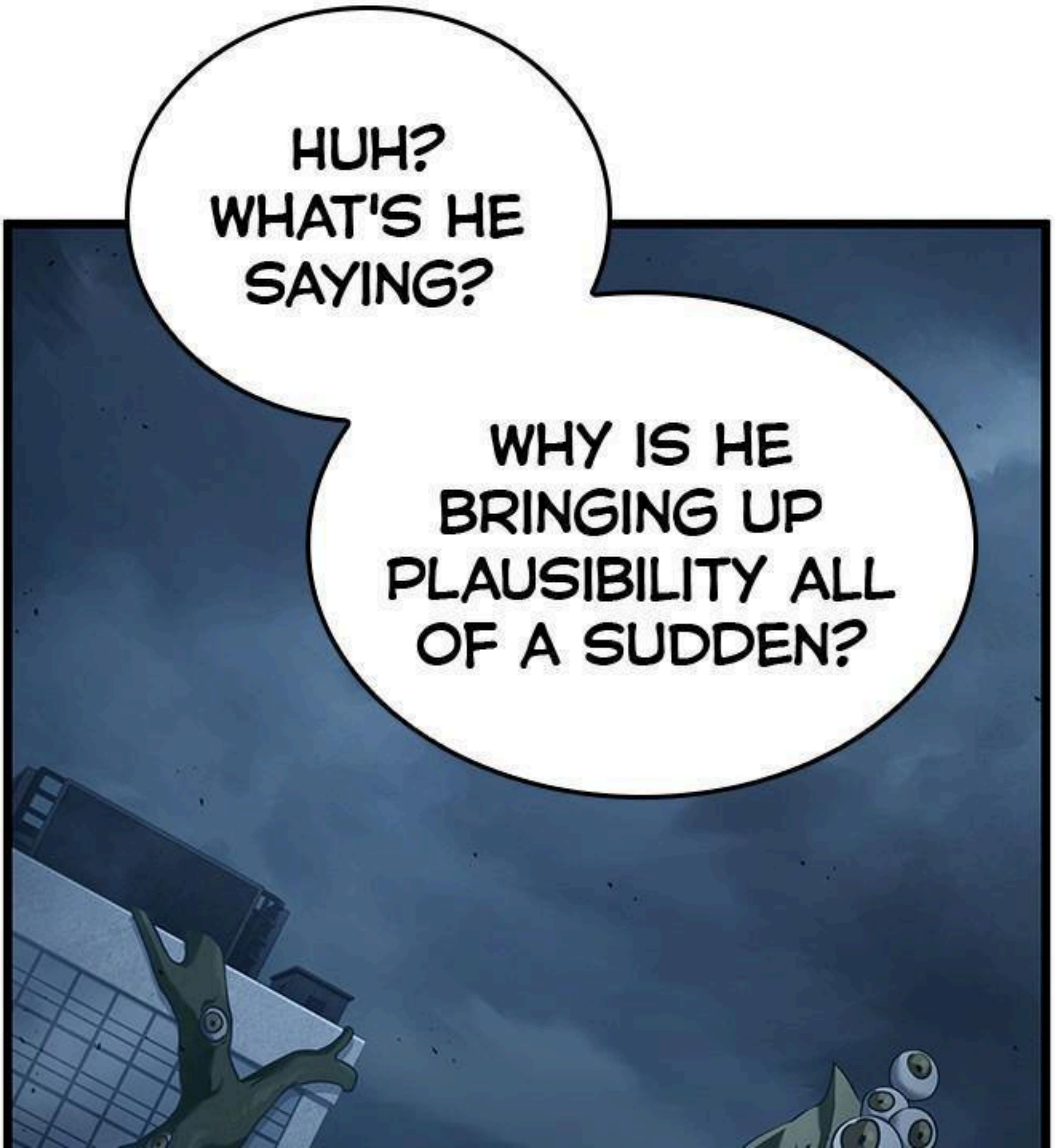
THEREFORE,
ON BEHALF OF THE
OTHER LOW-LEVEL
DOKKAEBI OF THE
SEOUL DOME...

...I REQUEST THAT THE STAR STREAM MANAGEMENT...

...CONDUCT

A REVIEW OF PLAUSIBILITY AGAINST BIHYEONG'S CHANNEL.

SMIRK


HUH?
WHAT'S HE SAYING?
WHY IS HE BRINGING UP PLAUSIBILITY ALL OF A SUDDEN?

HE'S JUST NITPICKING.

HE'S RESORTING TO THIS ALL BECAUSE I REFUSED HIS OFFER?

OTHER.

M-MY GOODNESS. WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO DO NOW?

TELL ME. DID THEY FIND OUT ABOUT THE CONTRACT WE HAD?

THEN COULD THEY HAVE FOUND OUT

THAT YOU OPENED UP THE DOKKAEBI SHOP EARLIER FOR ME?

T-THAT COULDN'T BE IT. PROBABLY NOT...

THEN THERE'S NOTHING TO BE SCARED OF. AND EVEN IF THEY KNEW ALL THAT, IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH ***PLAUSIBILITY***. WE'RE NOT BREAKING ANY RULES HERE.

IT'S JUST THAT IT HADN'T BEEN DONE BEFORE.

WE HAVEN'T VIOLATED ANY RULES.

[THE DETAILS OF CHANNEL #BI-7623'S MANIPULATION HAVE BEEN REPORTED.]

[THE MANAGEMENT IS CURRENTLY DISCUSSING THE MATTER.]

HIS

REQUEST FOR THE REVIEW WILL PROBABLY BE REJECTED.

UNLESS HE HAS SOLID EVIDENCE PROVING WE'VE VIOLATED *THE RULE OF PLAUSIBILITY.*

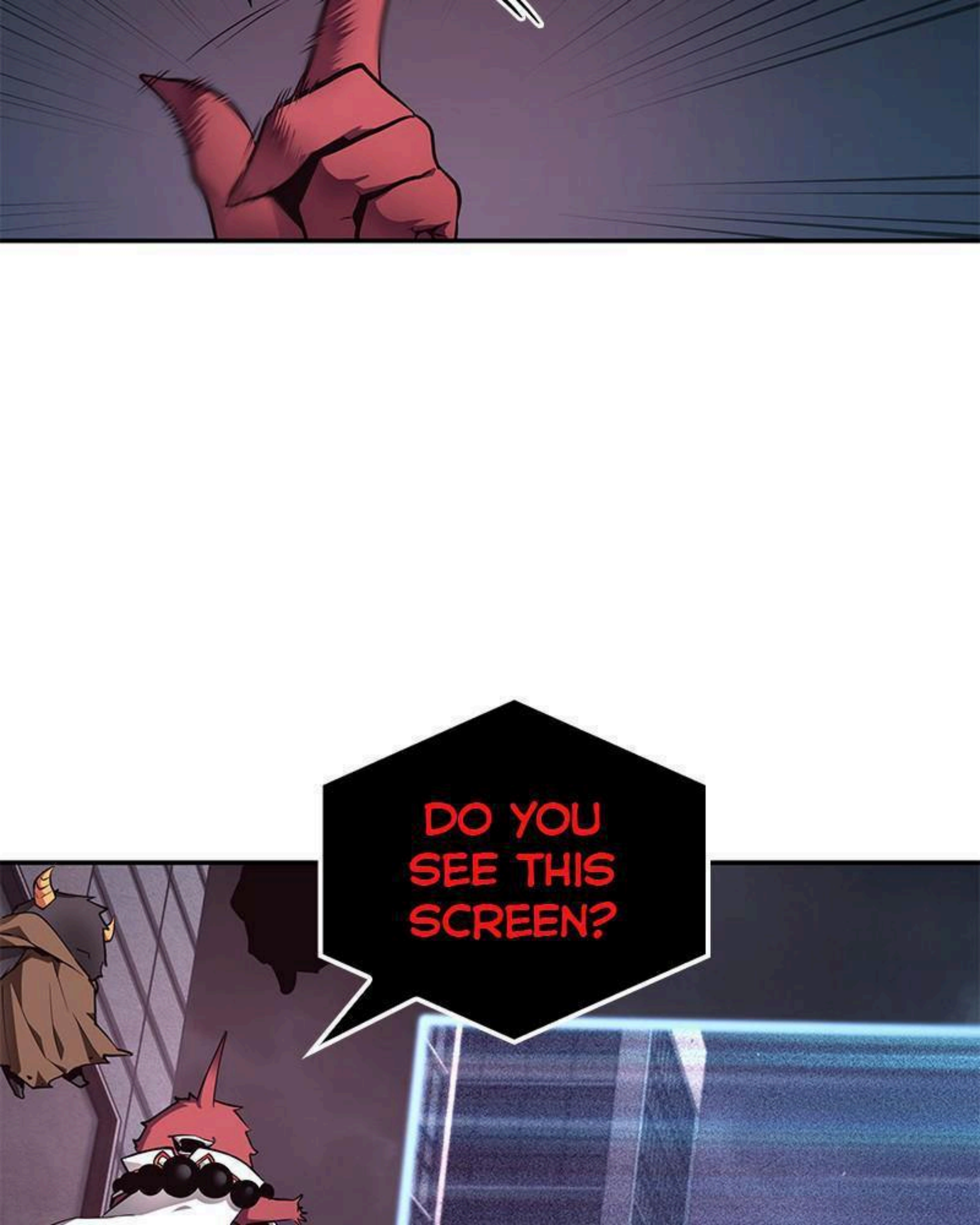
HEY, WHY DON'T YOU STOP STALLING AND JUST GIVE ME MY REWARD?

CAN'T YOU SEE THAT THE CONSTELLATIONS ARE BORED?

I CAN'T DO THAT.
THIS IS MUCH MORE IMPORTANT THAN ISSUING REWARDS.

THIS ALSO INVOLVES YOU, DOKJA KIM.

SNAP


DO YOU
SEE THIS
SCREEN?

THAT'S...

...THE FIGHT I HAD WITH SEOLHWA!

SNAP

SNAP

CAN YOU
SEE WHAT THESE
SCENES HAVE IN
COMMON?

MY BATTLE AGAINST LYCAON, ANTINUS, AND ILSANG MYEONG...

!
NO WAY!
COULD HE...?

THESE THREE
BATTLES HAVE
ONE THING IN
COMMON.

HE COULD HAVE KILLED THE POISON BEAUTY AND PREVENTED THE *CATASTROPHE.*

HE ALSO COULD HAVE PREVENTED THE *CATASTROPHE* BY KILLING ANTINUS...

...AND STOPPED
THE CATASTROPHE
OF QUESTIONS
FROM HATCHING.

BUT HE
DID NOT DO THAT
ON PURPOSE.

WAIT!
ARE YOU...?!

DEAR
CONSTELLATIONS.
THE INCARNATION,
DOKJA KIM...

...HAD BEEN COLLUDING WITH THE CHANNEL'S STORYTELLER, BIHYEONG...

...AND MANIPULATED THE SCENARIO BY HIDING HIS TRUE POWERS!

THAT BASTARD...

HE WASN'T ATTACKING US USING *THE RULE OF PLAUSIBILITY!*

THEY PLAYED YOU FOR A FOOL...

AND MADE THE SCENARIO

LOOK HARDER ON PURPOSE...

HIS TRUE GOAL WAS...

...TO FORCEDLY *PRODUCE* A CATHARTIC ENDING TO THE SCENARIO...

...AND TO CHEAT YOU OUT OF YOUR COINS.

HUH...?

...TO DESTROY BIHYEONG'S CHANNEL.

[SOME CONSTELLATIONS HAVE LEFT
THE CHANNEL OUT OF DISAPPOINTMENT.]

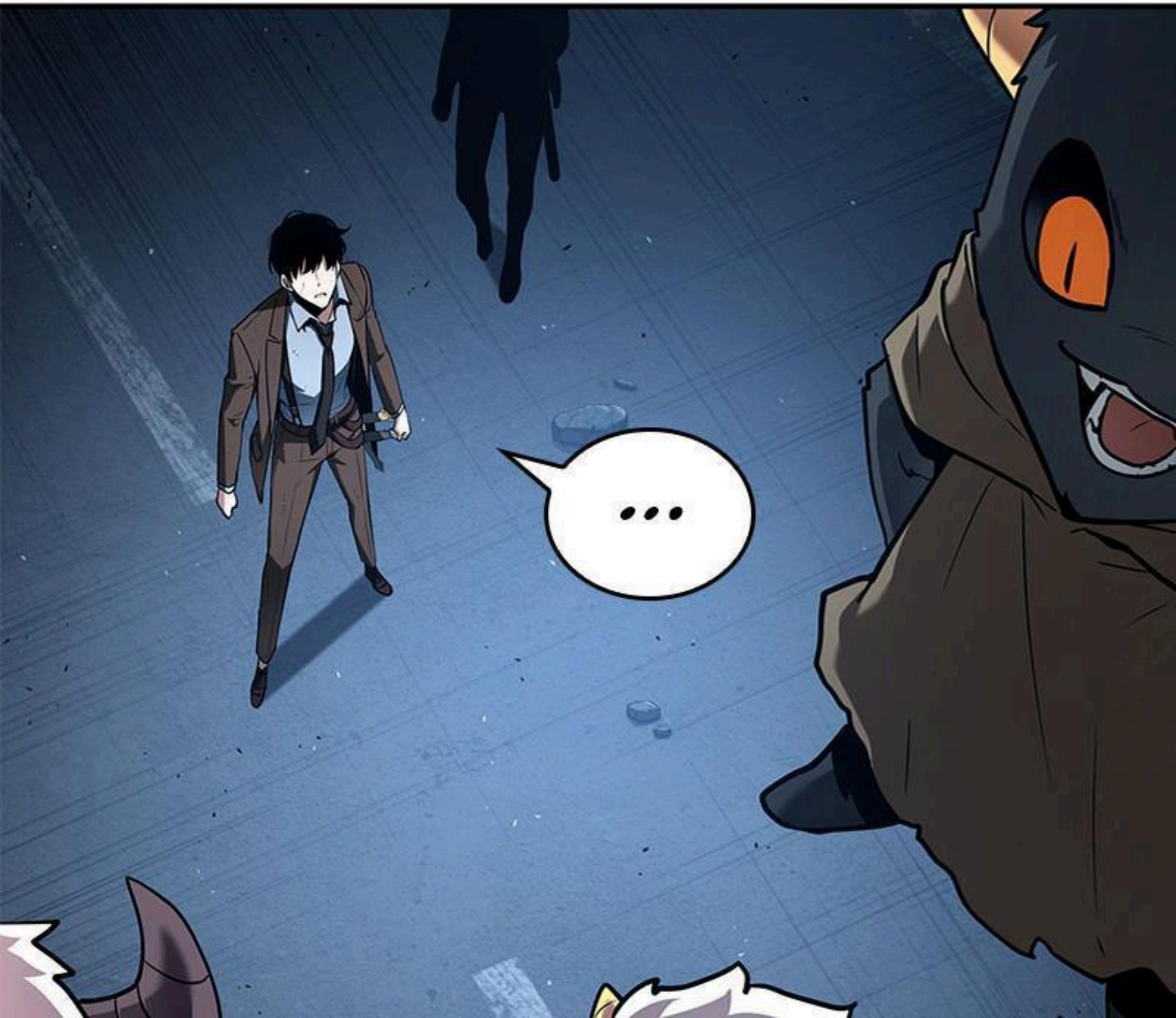
W-WAIT, CONSTELLATIONS!

[CONSTELLATIONS WHO BEGAN TO QUESTION THE AUTHENTICITY OF THE CHANNEL HAVE LEFT.]

[SOME CONSTELLATIONS ARE DEMANDING A REFUND.]

[THE CHANNEL HAS DECREASED IN SIZE.]

OH...


...

SIGH

THIS CHANNEL
IS DONE FOR.

I GET IT.

JUST GIVE ME MY REWARD IF YOU'RE DONE.

I'LL ACCEPT YOUR OFFER.

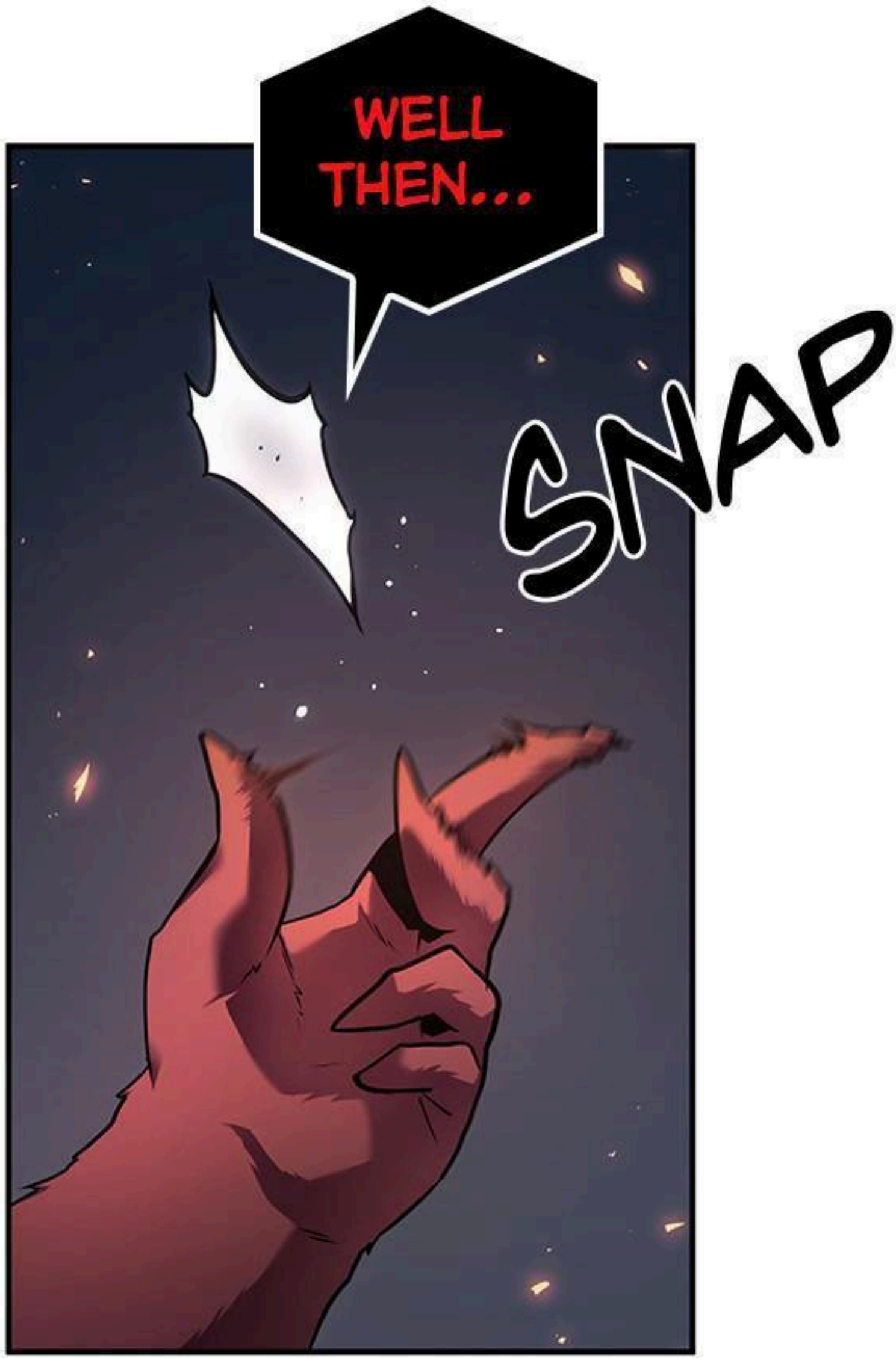
I SEE YOU HAVEN'T ABANDONED ALL YOUR SENSIBILITY.

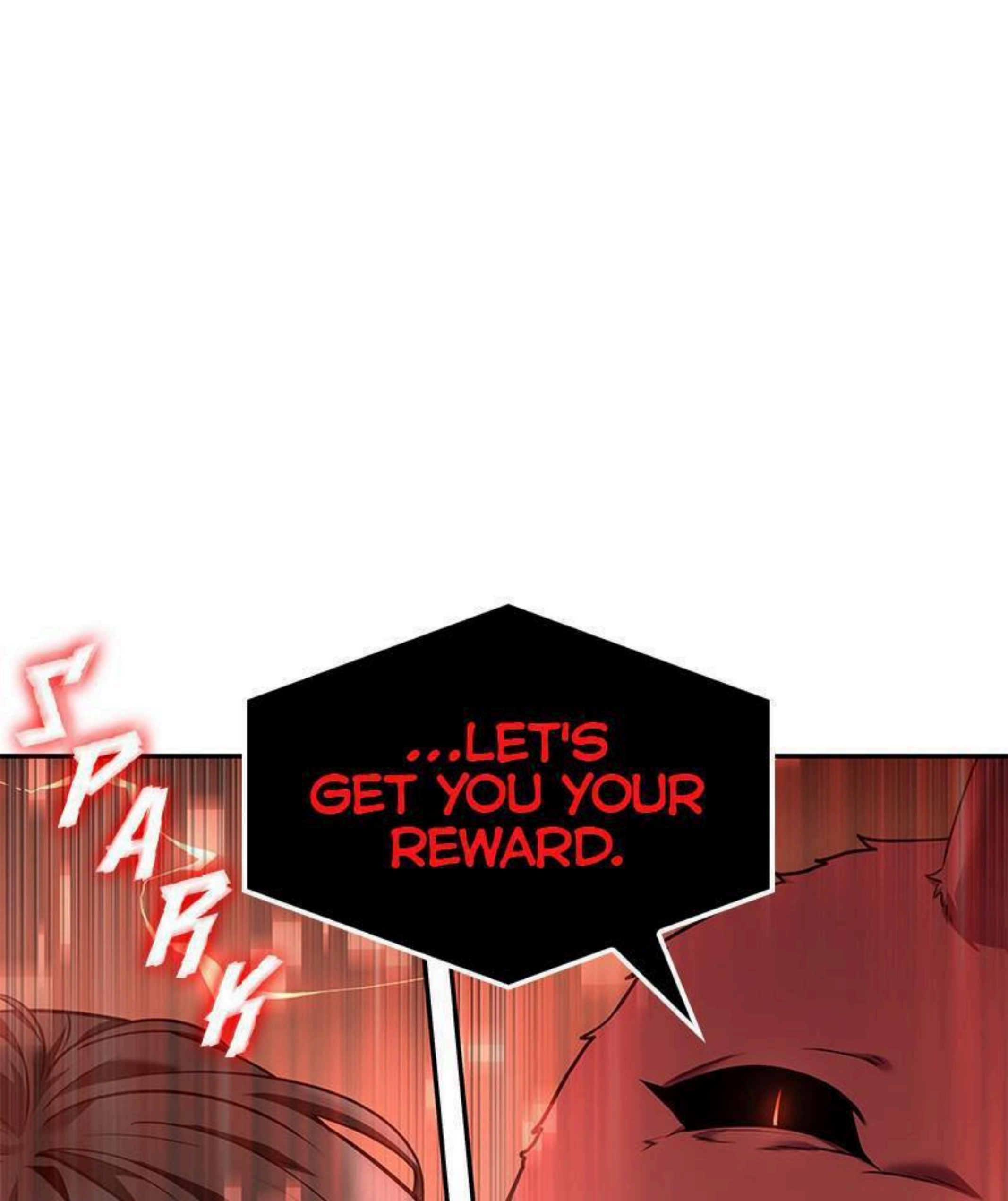
Y-YOU...!

DON'T LOOK AT ME LIKE THAT. WHAT CAN I DO?

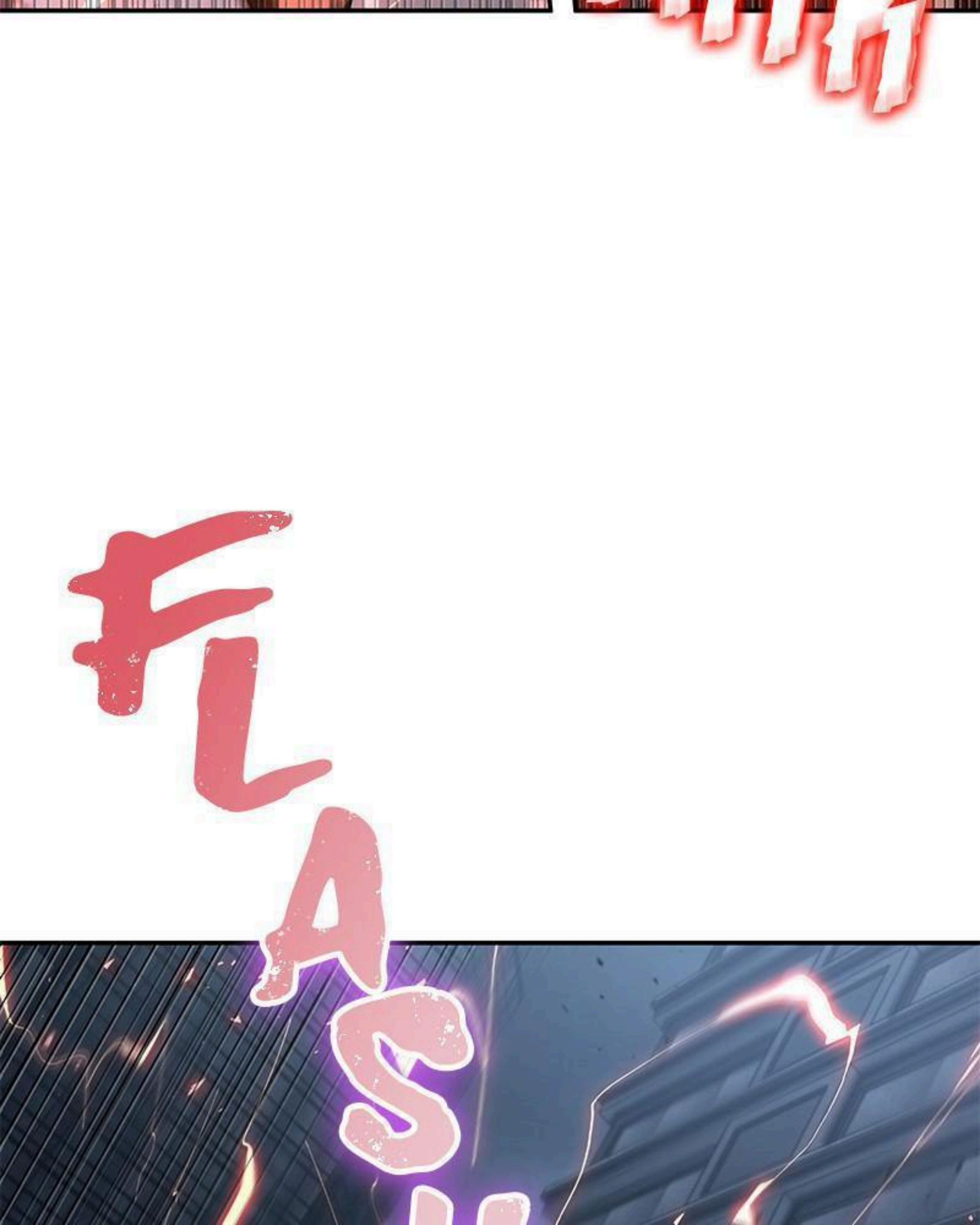
LET'S
GET GOING.

GOOD.


WELL THEN...
SNAP


SPARK
...LET'S GET YOU YOUR REWARD.

SPARK


FLASH

<SUB SCENARIO - SURVIVAL ACTIVITIES>

CATEGORY: SUB

DIFFICULTY: C+

CLEAR CONDITIONS:

SURVIVE IN THE RUINED CITY FOR TEN DAYS. YOU MUST:
1. EAT THREE MEALS A DAY

2. SLEEP FOR SIX HOURS EVERY NIGHT
3. PAY A SURVIVAL FEE OF 500 COINS BEFORE GOING TO SLEEP

IF YOU FAIL TO PERFORM ANY OF THE THREE CONDITIONS, YOU WILL BE MET WITH A PENALTY.

DURATION: TEN DAYS

REWARD: NONE

PENALTY UPON FAILURE: DEATH

* THIS IS A SCENARIO WHERE THE [COIN EVENT] IS APPLIED.

* ALL MONSTERS THAT APPEAR DURING THE SCENARIO HAVE A CHANCE TO DROP COINS WHEN DEFEATED.

REMAINING TIME: 7 DAYS

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